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M ARABIA	3544	J. Laird	8th Feb.
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CHILDREN'S MATINEE.
Children under 12, Free. Adults, 8 Annas.
PRICES SAME AS USUAL.

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OUR SECOND GRAND FETE NIGHT,
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1889.
A few sets of Ball and Pin-bearing Skate Wheels FOR SALE.
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A One-mile Race for Amateurs—Prize, Roller-bearing Wheels.

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POSITIVE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

I HEREBY give notice that I have THIS DAY resigned the Agency of the above Company.

PIERS MORRIS.

Bombay, December 7th, 1889.

POSITIVE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIEE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

WE have THIS DAY been APPOINTED AGENTS of the above Company.

BYRNE, NANJEE & Co.

Bombay, 99, Elphinstone Circle, 7th December 1889.

NOTICE.

THE disputes between Messrs. DWARKADASS SHAMJEE and DWARKADASS SHINGJEE on the one hand, and Messrs. DAMODHUR SOONDERDASS and GORDHUNDASS SOONDERDASS on the other hand, in reference to the estate of the late SOONDERDASS JADOWJEE, having been amicably settled, the notices published in this paper over our respective signatures are hereby withdrawn and cancelled.—Dated this 7th December 1889.

JEFFERSON, BHAISHANKER, DINSHA and KANGA,
Attorneys for Messrs. Damodhar Soonderdass and Gordhundass Soonderdass.
CHITNIS, MOTILAL & MALVI,
Attorneys for Messrs. Dwarkadass Shamjee and Dwarkadass Singjee.

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REPRODUCES INSTANTANEOUSLY THE ORIGINAL COLOUR OF THE HAIR IN ITS NATURAL SHADE.

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201, MOUNT ROAD,
MADRAS.

BHAONAGAR, GONDAL, JUNAGAD AND PORBANDAR RAILWAY.

NOTICE.

SUBJECT to the sanction of the Government of India, the Dhoraja-Porbandar Section of this Railway will be OPENED on 17th December 1889, for all descriptions of COACHING TRAFFIC. Timing of passenger trains will be as follows:—

UP.	Mix.	Mix.	DOWN.	Mix.	Mix.
Jetalsar Junc..Dp.	7-44	21-5	Porbandar ....Dp.	1-43	15-0
Porbandar ......Ar.	13-20	2-40	Jetalsar Junc..Ar.	7-21	20 42

On the first day of opening, the 7.44, 21-5, and 15 o'clock trains will run. The Up 11-58 o'clock train from Dhola Junction will terminate at Jetalsar Junction, and the 10-43 o'clock down train from Dhoraji to Jetalsar will be discontinued.

CHAS. CARROLL,
Traffic Superintendent,

Traffic Supdt.'s Office, 4th Dec. 1889.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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THE GREAT EVENT,
TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!! TO-NIGHT!!!
THIS DAY (MONDAY), DECEMBER 9th,
RETURN OF THE
INDIAN FAVOURITES,
THE RENOWNED AND ONLY
HUDSON'S SURPRISE PARTY.
OUR NEW COMBINATION OF
Acknowledged Vocalists, Comedians, Instrumentalists and Dancers
WILL APPEAR IN THE FOLLOWING
MONSTER PROGRAMME:—

PART FIRST.

OUR EVENING PARTY.

Miss MAY HABGOOD will preside at the Pianoforte.

Bones. Interlocutress. Tambo.
Mr. C. LYNDON. Miss N. HARLEY. Mr. T. HUDSON.

Overture—"Excelsior" ... Company.
Ballad—"Give me back my heart again" ... Miss N. Harley.
Jubilee Refrain—"Little Black Coon" ... Mr. C. Lyndon.
Song—"Childhood's happy days" ... Miss Ada Clements.
Double Song and Dance { Misses Laura Roberts and L. Linton.

MISS LILY C. BABER
Will sing the beautiful song
"OLD AND YOUNG MARIE."
Comic Refrain—"Skip the Gutter" ... *Mr. T. Hudson.*
Double-voiced Song—"We parted by the River side" ... *Mr. C. Naylor.*

To conclude with the Amusing Finale,
THE BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL,
By Misses A. Clements and N. Harley, Messrs. T. Hudson, C. Lyndon and H. Gilbert.

Interval of Ten Minutes.

PART SECOND.

MISS MAY HABGOOD
Will play a Brilliant Fantasia on "American Airs," Introducing the "Old Folks at Home," "The Banjo," "Kentucky Home," and "Yankee Doodle."

HUDSON WILL COGITATE AND TERPSICHORE
A few moments.

MR. CLARENCE LYNDON
In his Wonderful Skipping-Rope Dance.

MR. HARRY GILBERT
Will sing the latest London Success, "The Bridge."

MISSES LAURA ROBERTS' AND ADA CLEMENTS'
PATRIOTIC DUET, "ENGLAND AND IRELAND."

HUDSON'S WRINKLE-REMOVING SKETCH
FAST AND SLOW;
Hotel Landlord, Mr. H. Gilbert; Chain Lightning, Mr. C. Lyndon; Jimmy Slow, Mr. T. Hudson.

MISS LILY C. BABER,
Australia's Prima Donna, will sing one of her Beautiful Ballads.

MISS NELLY HARLEY
In her Serio-Comic Pleasantries.

THE AMUSING SKETCH
LOVE, DIVORCE, POISON!
By Miss L. Linton, Messrs. T. Hudson and H. Gilbert.

The Evening's Entertainment to conclude with the Marvel of the Nineteenth Century—
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The Most Astounding Ærial Performer in existence, whose Wonderful Flights through space in mid-air have been the astonishment of the Civilised World.

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WARWICK, ENGLAND.—A Lady residing in this place, who has had much experience in the management of children (having worked over ten years in children's hospitals), desires to receive as boarders children of any age whose parents live in India. There are good boys' and girls' school in the town, and a good Kindergarten school. The place is healthy, and there are excellent doctors. For references apply to

E. H. MOSCARDI, Esqr., C.S., Dhulia.

SALES BY AUCTION.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.

41, MEDOWS STREET, BOMBAY.

CAPITAL OPPORTUNITY TO THOSE DESIROUS OF ERECTING MILL, BUNGALOW OR CHAWL.

AUCTION SALE of two vacant pieces of land in very close proximity to the Mahim Station of the B. B. and C. I. Railway.

High Court Suit, No. 258 of 1887.
Pranjivandas Samuldas and others ....Plaintiff,
vs.
Govind Ramjee..........................Defendant.

Under instructions of the receiver in the above Suit, and on account and at the risk of Govind Ramjee, the defendant and first purchaser, Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE & Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises (if not previously disposed of by private contract), on WEDNESDAY, the 18th day of December next, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, viz.:—

All that vacant piece of land, situate on either side of, and in very close proximity to, the Mahim Station of the B. B. and C. I. Railway.

The piece of land, situate on the east of the station, admeasures 28,418 square yards or thereabouts, and is well adapted for a large mill. A portion of the land has been quarried upon, and this would serve the purpose of a tank, or at any rate, facilitate the digging thereof.

The other piece, which is situate on the other side of the said station, admeasures 12,796 square yards or thereabouts, and, on account of its situation, is admirably situated for a chawl or range of buildings.

This piece contains numerous toddy, mango and other trees, and three large wells.

Both lots will be sold together or separately as may be found convenient or advisable.

For further particulars apply to the receiver's attorneys, Messrs. Mansukhlal, Damodar and Jamsetjee, at their office, No. 91, Medows Street, or to the undersigned. Dated this 29th day of November 1889.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & Co.

Bombay, December 9, 1889.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & CO.

No. 4, FORBES & MEDOWS STREETS.

SALE OF 9 BORAS OF WOOL.

On WEDNESDAY, the 11th instant, at 3 p.m., Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at the Akbar Press Company (Limited), at Carnac Bunder, by order of C. A. Turner, Esquire, Official Assignee, H. C., and Assignee for the estate and effects of Atuldass Mithalal, an insolvent, consisting of 9 boras of wool.

SALE OF COLORED AND SILK PIECE GOODS, CASES OF BEER, OFFICE FURNITURE, &c.

On THURSDAY, the 12th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their sale rooms, No. 4, Forbes and Meadows Streets, Fort, by order of C. A. Turner, Esquire, Official Assignee, H. C., and Assignee for the estate and effects of Husraj Damodur, an insolvent, consisting of pieces of white mulls, jaconets, nainsook, long cloth flanel, drill, cashmere, chintz, muslin, net, Bengal dhoties, colored and flowered silk, handkerchiefs, cupboard, mehta boxes, &c. Also by order and on account of the concerned, consisting of few cases of beer in quarts and pints, seasonwood bookstands, table, pigeon holes, cupboard, wooden partition, &c.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co.

Bombay, December 9, 1889.

SALES BY AUCTION.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY

7, MARINE STREET.

PRIME MESS BEEF FOR SALE.

THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 9th inst., at 3 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms, by order of Messrs. James Mackintosh and Co., in lots to suit purchasers—

10 casks extra prime mess beef, landed on 16th Nov. ex s. s. Belgravia.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 9th inst., at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms—

10 bales grey shirtings.
5 „ „ dhoties.
15 cases prints.
5 „ muslins.

On account and at the risk of the defaulting indentor Abdoolally Ebram—

A B & C 1-1—1 cases each 25 dozen bottles eau-de-cologne.

A B & C 3319—1 case 15 gross lead pencils, Nos. 240, 245, and 300.

5 cases each 32 pieces felt cloth.
10 „ 100 lbs. orange and scarlet color in ½ lbs tins.
1 „ 20 pieces flannel.

On account and at the risk of Pragji Callianjee, the first purchaser—

1 bale fine Hessians.

On account and at the risk of Hajee Aboo Hajee Esmael—

HAHR 125-2402—1 tin-lined case containing various stereoscope views and chains.

On account and at the risk of Joosub Hassum—

JH 3660—1 case 50 gross sets of bone studs and 25 dozen money purses.

On account and at the risk of Abdoolally Essabhoy—

1089-1765—1 tin-lined case containing 16 pieces 13½ inch 22-24 yards velvets.

By order of Menta Shamjee Bhimjee, and on account and at the risk of Moolchund Govindjee and Goculdas Vulluhdas—

J U M B-7563—1 case 6 pieces white fancy dorias.
J U M B-9958—1 „ 6

By order of the Executors of the" will of" the last Mr. Goculdas Govindjee, and on account of the mortgagor—

1 English clock by Savory and Sons.
1 small chest by Chubb.

On account of the underwriters ex s.s. Clan Murray—

W H-750—1 case 50 pieces white shirtings.
M M-751-5—5 cases 100 „ „
755-760 26 „ „ damaged by sea water.

At 2 P.M.

1 strong-built canoe-shaped new landau.
1 strong serviceable mail-phaeton.
1 strong waggonette.
1 handsome light victoria.
1 new office shigram.
1 second hand victoria with brake.

And any other carriages and horses which may be offered.

TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, the 10th December, sale commencing at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Wodehouse Road, Colaba, near the Tramway Terminus, the valuable and handsome French-polished blackwood and teakwood household furniture, crockery and glassware, table and hanging lamps, pictures, carpets, ornaments, &c., the property of E. TAURINES, Esq.

The property is now on view.

SALE OF SUPERIOR FANCY WOOLEN CLOTH.

On WEDNESDAY, the 11th instant, at 3 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at their rooms—

15 cases superior fancy woollen cloth, consisting of all-wool mixed colour coatings diamond Sahara cloth, black twilled coatings, blue and grey naps, coloured check coatings, bird's eye coating, all-wool black and blue twill coating, coloured Venetian, colored corkscrew check and stripe coating, Japanese coating, &c.

The pieces, which are from 10 to 20 yards in length, will be sold singly to suit all buyers, and will be on view from to-morrow.

SALE of handsome Arab Horses at the Stables of Shaik Essa bin Curtas, Bellasis Road, Byculla.

On WEDNESDAY, the 11th December, at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the Stables of Shaik Essa bin Curtas, Bellasis Road—

A number of handsome fresh Arab horses, consisting of hunters, chargers, and hacks.

SALE OF BURNT AND DAMAGED STORES.

On THURSDAY, the 12th inst., at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD &c. will sell by Public Auction at Tamarind Lane, Fort, below the offices of Messrs Morarjee Goculdas and Co, by order and on account of the concerned—

A quantity of stores burnt and damaged by fire at the shop of Messrs P. M. Mody and Co., consisting of iron pumps, platform scales, stocks and dies, scale beams and chains, chaff-cutting machines, gram-crushing machines, iron wheels, screw jacks, reversing jacks, 1, 2, 3 and 4 sheave blocks, iron and brass weights, smiths' forge, iron rivets, galvanized brackets, iron wire and ropes' canvas hose, spring balance, steam indicators, carpenters' and smiths' chisels, drilling machines, brass bell, iron shackles, iron bars and pipes, strapped iron packings, iron stoves, iron safes, circular saws, indiarubber sheets, leather belting, paint oil, &c.

SALE of valuable landed property in Coopta Street, on the Mody Bay Estate.

On SATURDAY next, the 14th inst., at 4 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction on the premises.

All that piece of household ground situate on the Mody Bay Estate, containing by admeasurement 441 and four-ninths square yards or thereabouts, and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 8,160 together with the pucka-built dwelling house, shops and stables standing thereon, and assessed by the Municipality under ward No. 2,705 and street No. 33, and bounded on the East by Coompta Street and on the West, North and South by vacant land belonging to Port Trustees and which said premises are at present in the occupation of Aga Meerza Fatoola Caziani and other tenants, and yield a monthly rental of Rs. 210.

For further particulars and conditions of sale and inspection of titledeeds, application may be made to the undersigned.

On SATURDAY next, the 14th instant, sale commencing at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWORD & Co. are instructed to sell by public auction at No. 12 Clare Road, Byculla, the valuable and handsome French-polished carved and plain blackwood and teakwood household furniture, best plated-ware, rich crockery and glassware, a sweet-toned grand square pianoforte by Schiedmayer and Soehne, also a semigrand pianoforte by Baur, Strasbourg, a handsome canoe-shaped open carriage, Singer's sewing machine on stand, rich table ornaments, handsome flower vases, Hink's table and hanging kerosine-oil lamps, pictures, carpets, &c., the property of G. C. GILDER, Esq.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view from to-morrow.

CRAWFORD & CO.

Bombay, December 9, 1889.

BENNETT AND COMPANY,

No. 5, APOLLO STREET.

GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR INVESTORS.

AUCTION SALE OF THE PRINCE OF WALES MILLS.

THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 9th inst., at 3 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co., Auctioneers, will, by order of the mortgagees, put up for sale by Public Auction in one lot, at their sale rooms No. 22, Apollo Street, the leasehold property hereunder described, and the engines, boilers, machinery, and plant, belonging to the Prince of Wales Spinning and Manufacturing Company, Limited, on account and at the risk of the mortgagors, the said Prince of Wales Spinning and Manufacturing Company, Limited, under a power of sale contained in the indenture of mortgage, bearing date the 1st day of April, 1885. All that piece or parcel of leasehold land or ground, containing by admeasurement twenty-four thousand five hundred and forty-seven square yards or thereabouts, registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Nos. 58, 59 and 288, situate on the south side of a public passage on the Chinchpoogly Road, in the sub-district formerly of [illegible], but now of Bombay, in the island of Bombay, and bounded on the north by the said public passage, on the south by the property of Maneckjee Sorabjee Powalla, on the east by a public passage, and on the west partly by the property of Haji Gool Mahomed Haji Abdool Rehman, partly by the property of Hajee Mahomed Haji Abdool Karim and partly by the property of Haji Abdool Sookoor Cuddoo, which said premises were formerly and now are in the possession of the Prince of Wales Spinning and Manufacturing Company, Limited, together with the buildings and erections standing thereon, and all rights, easements, and appurtenances belonging thereto.

The above described property is held under a lease dated the 16th day of April, 1879, for a term of 99 years, from the 2nd day of October, 1875.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the undersigned, or to Messrs. Payne, Gilbert and Sayani, attorneys for the mortgagees, at their offices, No. 20 Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay.

On WEDNESDAY, the 11th December, at 1 p.m. Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Gowalia Tank Road, the stock-in-trade of Messrs. Gangjee Veerjee and Co., closing up his G. Tank establishment, consisting of blackwood and teakwood french-polished plain and carved household furniture of the latest design, best plated ware, very rich crockery and glass ware, very hand ome Satsuma and Kanga flower vases, rich table ornaments, Persian and Brussels carpets, pieces of rich plush and chintz for lining table and hanging kerosine lamps, and many other sundry articles.

Catalogues are published, and the property is now on view.

On THURSDAY, the 12th instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at "The Middle Altamont," Cumballa Hill, the very valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood French-polished substantial-made household furniture of the latest design and best workmanship by "Wimbridge" and "John Roberts," best plated ware, very rich crockery and glassware, handsome China and Japanese flower vases, rich table ornaments, first-rate oil paintings and oleographs, very rich Persian and velvet carpets, a first-rate mahogany grand square pianoforte by Schiedmayer, in very good order, a handsome English-built four-wheeled dog-cart nearly new, a collection of choice plants, &c, the property of A. LESLIE, Esq.

Catalogues are published, and the property is now on view.

On MONDAY, the 16th instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at Love Lane, Byculla, in the bungalow lately in the occupation of Mr. Premchand Roychand, by order of the trustees, the valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood plain and carved F. P. household furniture, 1, 2, 3, and 4-lights hanging argand lamps, 2 and 4-light wall shades, handsome large velvet and Brussels carpets, handsome open-carved large screens, handsome large clocks by "James McCabe" and other well-known makers, rich table ornaments, handsome China and Japanese vases, first-rate pictures and oleographs, large size globe lamps, garden benches and chairs, &c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be published, and the property will be on view four days before the sale.

BENNETT & CO.

Bombay, December 9, 1889.

NOTICES.

INDIAN IMPERIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

WE have been APPOINTED AGENTS to the above Company and are prepared to accept Marine risks on the most favorable terms.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE, & Co.,
Agents.

SOUTHERN MAHRATTA RAILWAY COMPANY.

NOTICE.

THE latest date for receipt of TENDERS for CLOTHING, is extended from 6th to 20th December, 1889.

J. G. LINDSAY, Colonel, R. E.,
Agent and Chief Engineer.

Dharwar, 2nd December, 1889.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA.

THE RATE of INTEREST allowed on deposits fixed for one year is to-day INCREASED from 4½ per cent. per annum to 5 per cent. per annum.

By order of the Court of Directors,

J. C. BERGENDAHL,
Agent.

Bombay, 1st June 1889.

NOTICE.

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.

WANTED by the Municipality of Bombay for employment on the Tansa Water Works, INSPECTORS fully competent in surveying, levelling, plotting, &c. Some practical experience on works of construction is essential. Salaries of the appointments including all allowances from Rs. 80 to Rs 150 per month, according to qualifications. Applications with copies of testimonials to be made to the Executive Engineer, Tansa Water Works Department, Municipal Offices, Bombay.

6th December 1889.

MADRAS MUNICIPAL DEBENTURE LOAN.

A DEBENTURE LOAN of Rs. 1,70,000 will be raised by the Municipal Commissioners for the City of Madras, bearing interest at 5 per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly to Debenture-holders, and having a currency of 50 years. Tenders should be sent to the Municipal Office, addressed to the President at or before noon on the 16th December 1889. The allotment should be fully paid up on or before the 16th January 1890. For further particulars see Fort St. George Gazette Supplement, dated 5th November 1889.

R. RAMASAWAMY CHETTY,
Vice-President.

Revenue Department, Municipal Office,
Madras, 8th November 1889.

SCOTT & Co., M.R.C.V.S.

VETERINARY SURGEONS.

HORSE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATES.

Rs. 10; Examination and Verbal Opinion, Rs. 5 Horses standing at livery on Commission sale, Rs. 35 per month, including horse-keeper. Commission on Horses bought and sold, Rs. 17. Up-country commissions towards buying and selling of horses will meet our best attention. Horses broken to single and double harness in the yard. Single, Rs. 15; double, Rs. 30. The Horse-shoeing Forge under the management of a thoroughly practical English Farrier and every class of shoeing done

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BOMBAY AND PERSIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND of Rs. 20 per original Share of Rs. 500, and Rs. 5 per new Issue Share of Rs. 125, for the year ending 31st December, 1888, has been declared and made payable at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 1, Ash Lane, Fort, on and after 10th proximo, to Registered Shareholders, on the 31st December, 1888.

Shareholders are requested to produce their Share Certificates when applying for Dividend Warrants.

A. H. ZENAL ABADEEN SHIRAZEE,
Agent.

Bombay, 13th Nov. 1889.

SALE OF THE BOMBAY SAW MILLL MACHINERY.

THE UNDERSIGNED is prepared to receive up to and including the 15th day of January next, Tenders for the purchase in one lot of the ENGINE MACHINERY and TOOLS, belonging to the Bombay Saw Mills Company, Limited (now in liquidation), and now lying on the Company's premises at Tank Bunder, Bombay, and also for the purchase (in another lot) of one overhead 5-ton travelling crane, 50 feet span, to run out 150 feet, with power and hand gear, containing transfers travelling trolly and elevating chains complete, also lying on the said premises. No tenders will be received after the above date.

2. The party or parties whose tenders may be accepted shall pay to the undersigned 25 per cent. of the purchase-money immediately on the acceptance of his or their tenders being notified to him or them, and shall pay the balance within one week from the date of payment of the advance, and shall remove the machinery from the aforesaid premises within four weeks from the date of acceptance of his or their tenders.

3. Particulars regarding the articles to be sold can be had on application to the undersigned at his office, at 3, Tamarind Lane, Bombay, care of Messrs. Ewart, Latham and Co., or to his Solicitors, Messrs. Craigie, Lynch and Owen, at their office, in the Standard Buildings, Hornby Road, Bombay.

J. I. MURRAY,
Trustee for the Debenture-holders of the Bombay Saw Mills Company, Limited.

Bombay, 13th November 1889.

NOTICE.

THE THIRD ANNUAL SERIES of PUBLIC LECTURES will be DELIVERED as follows, under the auspices of the Wilson College Literary Society, at the Wilson College Hall, Chowpatty. Lectures to commence at 5-45 P.M., punctually, on each day:—

TUESDAY, 1th Dec.—Dr. J. H. STEEL.—"Life and Labours of Darwin."
MONDAY, 16th Dec.—Mr. N. G. CHANDAVARKAR, B.A., LL.B.—"The Aims of Life."
WEDNESDAY, 18th Dec.—Dr. K. N. BAHADURJI, M.D. (London).—"Circulation in Health and Disease."
SATURDAY, 21st Dec.—Dr. W. M. ALEXANDER, M.A., B.Sc., M.B., C.M., B.D.—"Volcanoes and Earthquakes."

In order to meet the necessary expenses, a fee of 8 annas for an admission card to the front part of the Hall, and a fee of 4 annas for an admission card to the rest of the Hall, will be charged. The cards will be serviceable for the whole series. Cards can be had from RADHABAI & Co, Kalbadevi Road, from the three Arts Colleges, and from Grant Medical College.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

SUIT No. 138 OF 1884.

NANABHAI GUNPUTRAO DHAIRYAVANA, and BALJEE GUNPUTRAO DHAIRYAVANA, both of Bombay, Hindoo inhabitants, residing in Khandawady, outside the Fort ....Plaintiffs.

vs.

ACHRATBAI, widow of SHA PRANJIVAN RUNCHORDAS and NARANDAS NATHOOBHAI, both of Bombay, Hindoo inhabitants, residing on Kalbadevi Road, and GUNPUTRAO PANDOORUNG, of Bombay, Hindoo inhabitant, residing in Withalwady, and GUJANAN GOVIND and MORESHWAR GOVIND, infant sons of the deceased GOVIND PANDOORUNG, by their guardian *ad litem*, Mr. L. A. WATKINS, of Bombay, European inhabitant, residing at Marine Lines, outside the Fort, and PURSHOTUM NARROTUM, also of Bombay, Hindoo inhabitant, residing at Moombadevi, outside the Fort ....Defendant

PURSUANT to an order made in the above suit and bearing date the Seventh Day of March, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven, the following immoveable properties will be SOLD by PUBLIC AUCTION, in two lots, before Charles Edward Fox, Esq., the commissioner of this Honorable Court, at his office, in the Court-house, as follows:—Lot No. 1, on WEDNESDAY, the Eleventh Day of December, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-nine, and Lot No. 2, on WEDNESDAY, the Fifteenth Day of January, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

PARTICULARS.

All the estate and interest of the abovenamed plaintiffs, Nanabhai Gunputrao Dhairyavana and Baljee Gunputrao Dhairyavana, and of Mulchand Gopal, Harishanker Girjashanker, Nathu Bapoo and Dayabhai Rungildas, as executors of the late Defendant Achratbai, now deceased, widow of Sha Pranjivan Runchordas, and of the Defendants, Narondas Nathoobhai, Gunputrao Pandoorang and Purshotum Narrotum, or any of them, in the following properties, namely:—

LOT No. 1.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground, situate at Owulwady, otherwise known as Fofulwady, near Withalwady, in the registration sub-district of Bombay, containing by admeasurement three hundred and forty-four square yards or thereabouts, registered by the Collector of quit and ground rent under old No. 712, new No. 3243, old survey No. 86, and new survey No. 1491, with the messuage, tenement or dwelling-house and well, standing thereon, assessed by the Municipality of Bombay, formerly under No 8 and now under ward No. 1764 and 1765, and Street No. 28-30 and 1, and bounded as follows:—On or towards the north by the property of Kola Bhaaji, on or towards the south by the property of Ludna Callianji, on or towards the east by the property formerly belonging to Sittaram Govind, and now to the said Ludha Culliaaji, and on or towards the west by the public passage called Fofulwady or Owalwady lane, which said premises were formerly, and are now in the occupation of the said third defendant Gunputrao Pandoorang.

LOT No. II.

All that piece or parcel of cultivated land, now turned into a garden in the rear of Government House at Parel, in the registration sub-district of Bombay, containing by admeasurement eight thousand and one hundred square yards or thereabouts, registered by the Collector of quit and ground rent under old Nos. 79, 91, 93 and 99, new Nos. 14218, 14221, 14240 and 14241, new survey No. 1-2-& 3-2585, with the messuage, tenements, building sheds, trees, tank and well standing thereon, assessed by the Municipality of Bombay, formerly under No. 38, and now under ward No. 634 (8), and street No. 42, and bounded as follows:—On or towards the north partly by the Elphinstone Road and partly by the Government garden, on or towards the south partly by the property of Gunputrao Sudasewji and partly by the property of Gunputrao Pandoorang, on or towards the east by the Government garden, and on or towards the west by a public passage, which said premises were formerly and are now in the occupation of the said third defendant, Gunputrao Pandoorang.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made at the office of the said Commissioner, or at the offices of Messrs. Mansukhlal Damodar and Jamsetji, Attorneys for the second defendant and for the executors of the first defendant abovenamed, No. 91, Meadow Street, Fort, Bombay.—Dated this 9th day of September, 1889.

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H. E. THE RIGHT HON'BLE LORD REAY, LL.D., G.C.I.E., has kindly consented to preside on the above occasion.

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Swadeshi MillsCo,Ld	4,000	500	500	..	310
Star of India	1,000	1,000	1,000	Rs. 40	730
Sun Mills Ld	1,300	250	250	..	260
Victoria Mfg.Co.,Ld.	600	0	1,000	Rs. 25	405
Veeramgaum S.& Mfg	800	500	500		..
Venishunker Luxmishunker Cotton Mill Co., Ld.		500	..	Rs. 20	500
Western India S.	1	1,000		Rs. 25	520
Britania	1,000	1,000	1,0 0	Nil	50

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock Ashdown	1,000 750	200 150	200 150	10 p.ct	215 165
Badham Pile & Co.,Ld.	4,000	100	100	Rs. 14	142
Bapty Co., Ld.	625		185	Nil	60
Bombay Land & Building Co., Ld.		00	0	6 p.o.	605
Bombay Flour Mill Co.	750	500	500	10 p.c.	620
Bombay Ice Co., Ld.	1,250	100	100	Rs. 5	88
Bombay & Burmah Trading Corporation.	1,000	2,500	165	Rs.	3,500
Do. (3rd Issue)	2,000	62	375	Rs.	875
Municipal Bonds	...	...	...	p.c.	106
Clydesdale Dyeing Co.	1,000	500		...	200
Cooper, Madon Ld	3,000	100	100	Rs	5
Deccan Paper Mills	1,000	500	500	Nil	470
Delhi and Northern India Flour	1,500	200	200	...	170
Geyer & Co., Ld.	500	100	40	...	40
Indian Guaranteed Suretyship As.	5,000	100	10	10 p.c.	11
Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Mining Co., Limited	12,000	25	25		5½
Kurrachee Lighterage	500	256	250	...	75
Kemp & Co., Ld.	4,000	200	175	Rs. 26½	365
Marcks & Co., Ld.	4,000	00	100	Rs. 10	75
Napier Hotel Co.	300	100	100	13 p.c.	70
Napier Foundry	500	100	100	...	60nl
Oriental Government Security Life As.	5,000	200	50	10 p.c.	210
Oriental Loan Asso.	5,000	20	20	8 p.s.	20
Port Canning Co.	6,000	000	1000	Rs. 2	365
Royal Flour Mills	2,500	100	100	Nil	65
Phillips & Co., Ld.	4,000	100	100	Rs.	101
Soundy & Co., Ld.	1,000	100	...	9 p.c.	101
Southwell and Austin.	1,000	...	95	...	80
Telephone Co., Ld.	19,000	25	500	Rs. 5-8	12
Treacher & Co., Ld.	1,305	500	100	Rs. 85	1,270
Thacker & Co., Ld.	1,500	100		Rs. 10	130
Western India Flour	000	1	125	Nil.	35
M Mcdy & Co					33
Bhownugger City P. & M. Co., Ld	550	250	250	Rs. 15	230½

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

LATEST dates of foreign messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom during the 24 hours ending at 8 p. m. of the 8th Dec. 1889.

Via.	Latest Dates.			Time occupied in transmission.*	
	D.	H.	M.	Hours.	Minutes.
Turkey	...	...	...	...	...
Teheran	8	3	16	...	24
Suez	8	7	26	1	

* Difference in longitude allowed for.

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay during the 24 hours ending 8 p.m. on 8th Dec. 1889.

	Maximum Time.		Minimum Time	
	H.	M.	H.	M.
From Calcutta	1	24	...	7
„ Kurrachee	...	16	...	4
„ Madras	...	14	...	2

THE New York Carnival Association will not erect an ice castle this year, but, fired with ambition by the success of the Eiffel Tower, will build instead an ice tower 150 feet diameter at base, and tapering to a height of 250 feet. There will be a toboggan slide outside running spirally, and within a stairway and an elevator run by electricity. One hundred feet from the base there will be a gallery for fireworks.

GORGINA.—Excellent for Ringworm, Dhobi Itch and other Skin Affections. Annas 8. Prepared only by PHILLIPS & Co., Ld., Bombay and Poona.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Municipal Standing Committee, 3 p.m.
Sind Press Company, 3 p.m.
Yacht Club Dance.
Novelty Theatre, Hudson's Surprise Party, 9 p.m.
Sale of Prince of Wales Mill at Bennett's Auction Room, 3 p.m.
Lord Radstock's lecture, Framjee Cowasjee Institute, 8 p.m.
Switchback Railway.
Columbia Skating Rink, 5 to 7-30 p.m. and 8-30 to 11 p.m.

VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessel arrived on the 6th :—Arypassa (brig), from Inhambane. On the 7th :—Megna (s), from Calcutta ; Coromandel (s), China, &c. ; and Kaveri (s), Maugalore.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed on the 7th :—Hindoo (s), for Cutch Mandvie, &c. ; Lancashire (s), Liverpool ; Bormida (s), Hongkong ; Armenia (s), Marseilles and Glasgow ; Satara (s), K. Coast and Karachi ; and Gulianar (schooner), Damaun.

A PROW SUNK.—On Friday last a prow, laden with cotton bales, sank at Mody Bay.

THEFT AT NOWROJEE HILL.—Shewjee Gopal, residing at Nowrojee Hill, reports the theft from his room on Thursday last of Rs. 177 in cash.

ROBBING A CHILD.—Sha Mahomed Sharoo, residing at Nagdevi Street, reports the theft of a gold neck ornament, valued at Rs. 30, from his child on Friday last.

CLERK TO THE PARSI MATRIMONIAL COURT.—Mr. Bhugvantrow Mungesh Waglay, B.A., has been appointed acting clerk for six months to the Parsi Matrimonial Court.

THEFT AT THE KHATAO MAKUNJEE MILL.—Abdool Shaik Rahim, a jobber in the Khatao Makunji's Mill, at Haines Road, reports the theft of a metal watch, with a silver chain attached, valued at Rs. 18, from a room in the mill on Friday last.

ACCIDENT ON BOARDSHIP.—Mungul Fakeer, a calassee on board the s. s. Noorjehan, accidentally fell on Friday, fracturing one of his legs, and also sustaining injuries to his head. The man was at once removed to the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital, where he is at present lying under treatment.

THE SOROSIS CLUB.—The "pioneer" book-keeping class of young ladies were invited to an excursion in the harbour on Friday. They made the tour of the islands and went to Elephanta. Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son's steam launch took them out, and as there was a little breeze blowing the trip was most enjoyable.

FIRE.—A jowlee hut occupied by labourers, situated at Parel Tank Road, was on fire on Saturday afternoon, which was completely burnt down within a short time. An alarm being raised the Parel manual engine repaired to the scene in quick time, followed soon after by the Municipal steam fire-engines, from the several fire brigade stations in the city, but were not called into requisition. The origin of the fire is attributed to the careless use of a fireplace within the hut. The damage is estimated at Rs. 50.

A SERIOUS CHARGE.—This was a case before Mr. Cooper, in which Hansraj Damodhur was charged with cheating one Mohunji Vithul, by taking from his shop, at different periods, quantities of cloth, of the collective value of Rs. 471, and failing to pay for the same. Mr. Sanjana prosecuted, and Mr. D'Souza appeared for the accused. Mr. Sanjana brought evidence to prove that the accused had been guilty of dishonest proceedings. The Court rose at 2-15, when the case was adjourned, as Mr. Sanjana wished to bring other witnesses to prove that Hansraj was in embarrassed circumstances when the supposed fraudulent actions were committed.

FATAL ACCIDENT ON BOARDSHIP.—An inquest was held by the Coroner yesterday at the J. J. Hospital, respecting the death of Ambros Dias, aged 30 years. Deceased was admitted into the Hospital on the 19th ultimo at 5 p.m. He was brought from the steamship Khiva. He had paralysis of the lower extremities ; and a swelling about the centre of the back over the spine. He said he had fallen down into the hold of the Khiva. He continued in that state, and gradually became worse, and died on Friday night last. The verdict was: That the death of Ambras Dias was caused by concussion of the spine, the result of an accidental fall into the hold of a ship.

ATTEMPT TO POISON MENDICANTS.—Four mendicant women and a lad, aged ten years, were seated at the side of Grant Road on Friday evening begging ; when a tall, thin, grey-bearded Mahomedan handed to each of them as he passed by some dark-coloured powder telling them to eat, that it was a sweetmeat called "Peer-ka-Neaj," Koolsum partook of a small quantity of the powder and gave the lad, who is her son, the remainder. About an hour after they all, with the exception of the boy who began to rave excitedly, grew giddy and stupid. A police constable hearing of what had occurred, took the lad and two of the women to the J. J. Hospital, where they were treated. They are now reported out of danger, but still detained in hospital.

NEW POST OFFICE FOR MOMBADEVIE.—The merchants and traders residing near Mombadavi and in the vicinity of Marwadi Bazar have presented a memorial to the Director-General of Post-Office, stating that a post office is urgently needed there as they are obliged to wait for a long time in the Market Post Office, where there is a pressure of business, and that it is very far from their occupation, and that they incur expense in going and coming from the office. In 1845 there was a post office near Mombadavi in the house of Mr. Moteeshaw when there was little to do, as there was no money order or value payable system. To this the Director has replied that the application has been sent for inquiry to the Postmaster-General, and as soon as his report is received their application will be disposed of.

FATAL FALL FROM A VERANDAH.—An inquest was held by the Coroner yesterday, at the Government Telegraph Office, Esplanade Road, Fort, respecting the death of Ram Mehta, aged 45 years. Deceased was a Soortee butler in the service of Mr. Dawson, of the Government Telegraph Department. At 5 o'clock yesterday morning, deceased was found lying dead in the compound of the Government Telegraph Office. The deceased, it appears, slept that night in a verandah of the Telegraph Office, 55 feet immediately above the spot where he was found lying dead, where he was in the habit of sleeping. His right elbow and shoulder were found to be fractured in several places, and also the right side of his head and face battered in. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

AN EXPERT THIEF SMARTLY CAUGHT.—At the Girgaum Police Court on Saturday last Inspector George charged Gunput Hurry, before Mr. P. Ryan, with stealing a silver tooth-pick valued, at 6 annas, of Dhondoo Roodajee, a lawyer, while at the Null Bazaar Fish Market, on Friday afternoon. The tooth-pick was fastened to the complainant's "sacred thread," when accused came from behind and cut it off with a piece of glass. He was just making off with the article when the occurrence was brought to the notice of the complainant by one of the men in the crowd, and he immediately turned round and arresting the accused, handed him over to the police. Gunput Hurry had nothing to say in his defence, and on admitting two previous convictions was convicted and sentenced to four months' rigorous imprisonment.

DROWNED IN A WELL.—An inquest was held by the Coroner yesterday at Girgaum Back Road, respecting the death of Sazna Janoo, aged 22 years. Deceased was a *malee* and worked in a vegetable garden in Girgaum Back Road. At 2-30 p.m., on Saturday, deceased and one Chandoo Seewa, were sitting on a plank that was placed across over a well in the garden, and were turning a Persian wheel, when suddenly the rope to which the buckets were attached gave way, which caused the wheel to turn in the opposite direction, and the deceased was thrown into the well, whereas Chandoo prevented himself being thrown into the well by seizing the plank on which he was sitting. Chandoo raised an alarm, when another *malee* came and lifted Chandoo out. The police were sent for, who came, and the body of the deceased was recovered in about a quarter of an hour. Life was extinct. A verdict of accidental death by drowning was recorded.

CHILDREN'S FETE AT THE SKATING RINK.—The younger patrons of the Columbia Rink had an enjoyable afternoon on Saturday, Mr. Simmons having offered a prize in the shape of a handsome pair of skates to the winner of a race for children under twelve. Eleven youngsters appeared on the rink, and considering the many counter-attractions elsewhere,—the parachute descent, the gymkhana races, and the switchback, there was a large turn-out of grown-up people to see the children enjoy themselves. It was an interesting and amusing spectacle. All the young competitors worked hard ; and many were the tumbles which were quite disregarded in the excitement. Master Henry Hykook, Karachi, a boy of eleven, won the race rather easily. Master Percy Soundy ran well, but a fall threw him behind. The next event on the card is the Amateur's Race on Wednesday. There are already six entries, namely :—Messrs. G. Trayler, W. T. Wells, C. M. Mussita, A Strathmann, A. Hind, and B. N. Khambata.

THE FORTHCOMING CONGRESS.—A Congress meeting was held at Ghazipur for the election of delegates to be present at the 5th National Congress, Bombay. Babu Kinu Rai, Rai Bahadur, a Government pensioner, was unanimously voted to take the chair. Babu Bholanath Rai, B. A., Vakil, and secretary of the Local Congress Committee, briefly explained the aims and objects of the Congress, and the whole audience having expressed their entire sympathy with the movement, the following gentlemen were elected delegates :—Babu Sheonath Singh, taluqudar and honorary magistrate and vice-chairman of the municipality ; Babu Bholanath Rai, B.A., Vakil ; Babus Damri Rai, Khuddi Rai, Khubernath, Durga Pershad, Pandit Koulesher Misir, Pandit Arjun Pande, Pleaders, Babu Setal Singh, Lala Udebnarain Lal, Mahomed Usman Khan, Mahomed Kasim, Haji Mahomed Moghni, and Pandit Junmath Misir.

COOK'S MOONLIGHT EXCURSIONS.—The first of Messrs. Cook and Son's pleasant moonlight excursions for the season took place on Saturday night. Nothing happened to mar the enjoyment of the 200 people who were on board. The vessel was lighted throughout with electric light and Messrs. Cook and Son had provided a band which discoursed sweet music during the whole excursion. The boat first shaped her course for the lights at the entrance to the harbour. Then on returning the lights from the shore and on the crowded shipping, made a pretty picture. In about an hour Hog Island was reached and at the further extremity a hydraulic lift could be distinguished, supporting the great black hull of one of the British India steamers. Then the good ship's head was turned, and she sped homewards, threading her way amongst the mazes of the harbour shipping and reached the Bunder again at eleven o'clock. All on board having thoroughly enjoyed the excursion.

AN UNFORTUNATE CIRCUMSTANCE.—Perojee Dadoba was on Saturday placed before Mr. Cooper at the Esplanade Police Court, charged with being drunk and disorderly and maltreating his wife on the 6th December. The woman, when placed in the witness-box, was seen to have a severe bruise over the left eye, and appeared to be suffering from pain. She stated that she was unable to live with her husband, as he was in the habit of frequently becoming very drunk, and upon such occasions was so violent that she was afraid of him. She said she only wished him kept under restraint, because of the mischief he did when in liquor. The prisoner in defending himself asked her if it was not true that she had voluntarily left him before there was any real cause. He said that upon the night in question an unfortunate circumstance caused his drunkenness, and he asked his Worship to take the fact into consideration. He asked for time to call his mother-in-law to prove that what he said was correct. The wife was unwilling to return to his house, Mr. Cooper, therefore, remanded him until next Tuesday, so that he may produce his mother-in-law, and ordered him to pay Rs. 5 as surety for his appearance.

THE SWITCHBACK RAILWAY.—The Switchback Railway, which has become such a popular amusement with the young people of Bombay, is now having some variety entertainments within its enclosure. Mr. Hoare, who started the concern, has, it is believed, given up the management of it, and has gone to Madras to erect a similar one there, and if he succeeds in making it so favourite a resort as the one in our own city has become, he will do well. Amongst the novelties that have been introduced, and set up within the enclosure devoted to the Switchback, are an ingenious mechanical shooting gallery, so arranged that one hits the targets placed in connection with any one of the figures. Some hidden machinery is set to motion, which causes them to perform many eccentric movements. There is an American skittle alley worked upon some new and mysterious principle, and the attractions to the place are added to by the recent erection of a refreshment room, near which a band performs twice a week. The management are contemplating the erection also of a "dancing rink" at the unoccupied end of the enclosure, nearest the Victoria Station ; and as it seems that a public dancing saloon is in request amongst many, the presence of one will doubtless increase the amount of patronage, which this ingenious collection of contrivances for the amusement of the public is already favoured with.

THE LATE EXTENSIVE FIRE AT ICHAPORE.—It will be remembered that an extensive fire took place in the village of Ichapore, near Surat, in April 1888, when about two hundred houses were burnt to the ground, rendering several hundreds of people homeless and without any means of subsistence. A committee was formed in Bombay with Messrs. M. M. Bhownuggree, C.I.E., Dr. Blaney, and Mr. Hurkisondass Narotamdass as honorary secretaries, who collected subscriptions to give relief to the destitute who were without food and raiment. About Rs. 8,045 were subscribed by the public of Bombay, Rs. 4,000 being given by the trustees of the Surat Flood Relief Fund, out of a balance of the fund remaining in their hands. The committee requested Messrs. Dhunjeebhoy Cowasjee Patel, a wealthy Parsee gentlemen of Ichapore, and Dr. Morarjee Naronjee and Mr. Juggonath Icharam of Surat, to distribute the funds—Rs. 12,045 in all—among those who were in need of immediate relief. Mr. Patel and his associates got a few sheds of the poorest of the poor rebuilt, and gave raiment food, &c., to the infirm and poor, and also got two water tanks excavated for the use of the inhabitants of the village, thus affording relief to the extent of Rs. 11,774, leaving a balance in their hands of Rs. 271. The balance will be utilised at an early date in the sinking of a well, so as to afford further facility to the people by obtaining a plentiful supply of drinking water, as well as water in the case of a fire. Mr. Patel and his friends have submitted their report to the honorary secretaries of the fund who have thanked them for discharging their functions in such a great satisfactory manner at a great sacrifice of time and money.

HUDSON'S SURPRISE PARTY.—It goes without saying that Mr. Hudson and his clever little company will meet with an enthusiastic welcome on their return to Bombay to-night ; for there is no denying that his is the most popular variety troupe which ever visits Bombay. It may seem going too far to say, before they have appeared, that the present is superior to any combination Mr. Hudson has yet brought to Bombay ; but so it would seem from the criticisms the company has got since returning to India this season. Some of the members have been seen or heard here before, and some are quite new to Bombay. Everybody knows Miss Habgood. Her brilliant pianoforte performances could hardly be forgotten. Miss Nelly Harley, too, is an old favourite. Neither do Mr. C. Lyndon, or Mr. H. Gilbert require any introduction ; and as to Mr. Hudson himself the items, opposite his name on the programme, promise much mirth. Regarding the new members of the company, there is one Ouda by name, who is said to be a wonderful ærial performer. He is now on a tour round the world, and wherever he goes he seems to create a sensation. Miss Walker's place in the company is taken by Miss Lily C. Baber, an Australian prima donna, of whom report speaks highly. Then there is Mr. C. Naylor, a double-voiced vocalist who besides having a melodious tenor voice, is said to imitate the soprano cleverly. The first part will be, as usual, the minstrel entertainment, "Our Social Gathering," followed by a variety programme, the musical items being intespersed with comicalities and mirth-provoking sketches. Mr. Hudson has this season a more than usual number of counter-attractions to contend against ; but the strength of his company and the tempting programme provided are certainly sufficient to attract as large audiences as he has been accustomed to get in Bombay.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY.

BOMBAY, 6th December, 1889.

Means of observations at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m., and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah.	29·908
Temperature of the Air	74·3
Wet Bulb Thermometer	67·7
Dew Point	64·4
Relative humidity of Air	·713
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded=10).	0·0
Maximum temperature of air (read at 8 a. m., next day)	81·1
Minimum do. do (read at 8 a.m.)	66·6
General Directions of Wind.*	N, NNE, ENE, NNW, N
Movement of wind in 24 hours*	263

* From midnight to midnight.

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MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 6.

Willcock, Lieut, Bo, 2nd Gloster Regt, medical certificate, from Mandalay.

Stisted, Capt, Ms, Somersetshire Lt Inf, on leave, from Belgaum.

DECEMBER 7.

Bennett, Capt, Bo, Comt Dept, on leave, from Deolali.

Westropp, 2nd Lieut, Bo, attd 10th Bo Inf, return from leave, from Australia.

Hojel, Surgeon, Bo, I M S, on leave, from Ahmedabad.

DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 4.

Weekes, Capt, Bo R A, on leave, to Kanara.

DECEMBER 7.

Ditmar, Lieut, Ms, Staff Corps, to rejoin to Secunderabad.

Westropp, 2nd Lieut, Bo, attd, 10th Bo Inf, from leave to Poona.

Ferguson, Surgeon, Bo, I M D, on furlough to England.

DECEMBER 8.

Phillips, Capt, Beng. RA on leave (m.c) to Jabulpore.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE CORPS.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COL. THE HON'BLE L. H. BAYLEY,
Commanding, Bo. Vol. R. Corps.
Bombay, 9th December, 1889.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

2. There will be a meeting of the Council of this Association at the Head-quarters of the Bo. Vol. Rifle Corps, at 6 o'clock this evening at which all members of the Council are requested to attend.

Business :—

(1) To receive a report and Financial Statement of the past season.

(2) To elect the Executive Committee and Officers of the Association for the present season.

(3) To fix the date of the next Rifle meeting.

N. B.—Any member of the Bombay Light Horse, Bombay Vol. Artillery, or Bombay Vol. Rifles, interested in the approaching Rifle meeting, is invited to attend the above meeting of the Council.

2. There will be drill at the following places until further orders.

At the Oval.—Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, at 4-30 a.m.

St. Mary's School, Nesbit Road.—Mondays and Fridays, at 5 p.m.

Queen's Statue.—Mondays and Wednesdays, at 5-15 p.m.

Byculla School.—Mondays and Thursdays, at 5 p.m.

Byculla Scottish School.—Tuesdays and Fridays at 4 p.m.

St. Peter's School, Mazagon.—Mondays and Thursdays, at 4 p.m.

Indo-British Institution.—Tuesdays and Fridays, at 4 p.m.

St. Mary's School, Nesbit Road, Tuesdays at 4-15 p.m., and Thursdays, at 7-15 a.m.

Cathedral High School.—Mondays 3 to 4 p.m. and Thursdays 4- to 4-30 p.m.

John Connon School.—Wednesdays and Fridays 4 to 5 p.m.

3. There will be Skeleton Company drill for officers and N. C. Officers at the Oval at 6-30. a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

4. There will be drill for A. Company every Wednesday until further orders at 6-30. a.m. at the Oval.

5. There will be company drill for D. Company under the officers behind the Town Hall at 5-30. p.m. on Wednesday the 11th Instant. Members attending will have their tram fares paid. Mufti with Rifles etc.

6. There will be a meeting of D. Company at the Telegraph Quarters after the company drill on Wednesday, the 11th Instant.

7. Classes for instruction in Military signalling will parade on the Oval as follows until further notice.—1st class—Wednesdays and Friday mornings, at 7 o'clock.

2nd Class—Monday and Friday afternoons, at 5 o'clock ; and Tuesday morning, at 7 o'clock.

3rd Class—Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday mornings, at 7 o'clock.

8. Captain Nicholson will be in charge of the signalling classes.

9. The following members having joined are taken on the strength of the Corps from this date and posted to companies as follows :—No. 2,841 Vol. C. Blunt to "B." Company ; and No. 2,842 Vol. V. H. Roberts, to "D." Company.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

10. The Squadron will parade at the Kennedy Sea Face near the Remount Stables on Wednesday the 11th instant at 6-45 a.m. Arms and accoutrements to be worn. All members are requested to attend.

By order,
T. W. C. LEATHEM, Captain, and
Adjutant, B. V. R. C.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

BATTERY ORDERS
By Major G. W. Roughton, Commandant,
Bombay Vol. Artillery.
Bombay, 9th December, 1889.

1. The following drills will take place this week at Head Quarters :—

Monday, 9th.—Proficiency class, at 6-30 p.m.
Tuesday, 10th.—Gun drill, at 6-30 p.m.
Wednesday, 11th.—Proficiency class, at 6-30 p.m.
Thursday, 12th.—Gun drill, at 6-30 p.m.
Friday, 13th.—Proficiency class, at 6-30 p.m.

2. The Signalling class will meet on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday mornings, on the Esplanade' in front of the University Clock Tower, at 7.

3. The class for Range finding will meet on Wednesday morning in front of the University Clock Tower at 7.

4. There will be class firing on the Coorla range on Tuesday and Friday mornings. Train leaves Victoria Terminus at 5-30 a.m. (local time.)

By Order,
J. SANDERS-SLATER, Lieut,
Acting Adjutant, Bo. V. A.

BOMBAY ARMY ORDERS.

ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE, HEAD-QUARTERS,
Poona, 6th Dec. 1889.

The Commander-in-Chief is pleased to make the following appointments :—

1st Bo Cavy (Lancers)—Major E L Elliot, DSO, 2nd in Comd, to be Comdt, vice Col Heyland, deceased ; Major H Hay, 2nd Sqdn Comdr, to be 2nd in Comd : Major H R D Thomas, Sqdn Officer, 4th Cavy (Poona Horse) to be 2nd Sqdn Comdr.

2nd Bo Cavy (Lancers)—Major W H D Jones, 2nd in Comd, 7th Cavy (Belooch Horse), to be 2nd in Comd, vice Col J Philips, vacated on attaining 52 years of age.

5th Bo Cavy (Sind Horse)—The following sub pro tem promotions are made vice Major Daniell seconded and Major Abbott transferred to the 7th Cavy :—

Capts G F Francis, 2nd Sqdn Comdr, to be 2nd in Comd ; and E B Peirse, 3rd Sqdn Comdr to be 2nd Sqdn Comdr ; Lieuts R W Sherard, 4th Sqdn Comdr, to be 3rd Sqdn Comdr ; and E O Owen, Sqdn officer, to be 4th Sqdn Comdr (provisionally.)

6th Bo Cavy (Jacob's Horse)—The sub pro tem promotions of Major E V P Monteith and Capt J B R Butler, in Army Order No. 388 of 6th Sept last, and of Lt C F Grantham in Army Order No. 519 of 8th ultimo, are confirmed, vice Major Abbott, transferred to the 7th Cavy.

7th Bo Cavy (Belooch Horse)—Major F Abbott, (2nd Sqdn Comdr 6th Cavy) 2nd in Comd sub pro tem 5th Cavy, to be 2nd in Comd, vice Major Jones transferred to the 2nd Lancers.

1st Bo I (Grs)—Lt W H Errington, offg Wing Officer, to be Wing officer, and will be graded below Lieut Hoghton and above Lieut Cunningham.

13th Bo I—2nd Lt F L Lloz-Jones, 2nd K O (York L I), a candidate for the S C, to officiate as Wing Officer on probation. Dated 24th Nov 1889.

25th Bo L I (3rd Battn Bo Rifle Regt—Lt T A Harrison, Wing Officer, to be Quarter-Master.

Under instructions from H Gds, War Office, it is intimated that

1. Lt W A M Thompson, 55th Field Batty, has been appointed to "D" Batty, R H A, and is to be sent home to Aldershot to join the latter Batty for duty.

2. Lt E C Cameron, No 13 Batty Western Divn, is appointed to "N" Batty, R H A, vice A S Tyndale Biscoe, promoted.

Under instructions from the Horse Gds, Major G F Guyon, Rl Fusr, is directed to proceed to England to join the 2nd Bn of his Regt to which he has recently been posted as 2nd in Comd, travelling at the public expense.

The undermentioned officers have leave of absence:—

2nd Lan Fus—Lieut G F Woods to remain in England in extension from 28th Dec 1889 to 30th March 1890 on medical certificate.

2nd Rl Dub Fus—Major J R Povah, to remain in England in extension from 19th Oct 1889 to 21st Dec 1889 on private affairs.

17th Bo I—Lieut A C Le Bailly (S C) to Bombay, from 10th Dec 1889 to 9th Jan 1890 in extension, to study the native language.

Sind Vol R C—Capt J M Dick to remain in England in extension from 1st to 31st Dec 1889 on private affairs.

Medical Staff—Surgn R W Barnes, to Australia, for 3 months, on medical certificate.

Erratum—In Army Order No. 423 of the 20th Sept last referring to Lieut A G W Browne, 3rd Bo Lt Cavy, for 15th Sept to 14th Dec substitute 19th Sept to 18th Dec.

THE WEATHER.

BOMBAY, Dec. 6.—Observations taken at 8 a.m.—Explanation of Columns in the Table

1. The barometric readings are all corrected to Calcutta standard and reduced to the same temperature (32°) and also of the sea-level. The 2nd column under the head "Pressure" gives the difference between the barometer reading of to-day and yesterday at each station, and + prefixed to the number implies that the barometer has risen and—that it has fallen.

2. The 2nd column under the head "Wind" gives the average motion of the air in miles per hour during the past 24 hours, and is obtained by dividing the total number of miles of wind registered by an anemometor during the previous 24 hours by 24.

3. The temperatures given in the table are of the air in the shade, or in a small shed with open sides, and a thached or straw roof. The maximum (max.) and minimum (min.) temperatures are the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours preceding 8 A. M. The 6th column under the head "Temperature" gives the mean of the maximum and minimum temperature, and is approximately the mean temperature of the day. The 7th column gives the difference (with the proper sign) between the mean temperature of to-day and yesterday.

4. The humidity is given as a percentage expressing the rate of the actual amount of moisture in the air to the amount required to saturate it.

5. The amount of cloud is expressed in terms of the number 0 to 10, 0 denoting a cloudless and 10 an overcast sky.

6. The last column under the head "Rainfall" gives the difference with its proper sign between the actual rainfall from 16th May to date and the average rainfall for the same period.

STATIONS.	Barometric Pressure.			Wind.		Temperature in Shade.						Rainfall.		
	8 a.m.	Change in past 24 hours.	Variation from mean of day.	Direction.	Rate per hour.	8 a.m.	Maximum of past 24 hours.	Minimum of past 24 hours.	Variation from mean of day.	Humidity, 8 a.m.	Cloud.	Past 24 hours.	Since 1st Nov. to date.	Variation, 1st Nov. to date.
Delhi	30·187	+ ·113	+ ·060	N W	3	52·2	79·1	49·1	+0·1	53	0	...	...	—0·07a
Agra	30·178	+ ·112	+ ·037	N W	4	52·3	81·1	48·6	+0·2	66	0	...	...	...a
Allahabad	30·130	+ ·105	+ ·017	WN W	5	58·0	83·0	48·6	+1·0	65	0	...	0·01	—0·13a
Jhansi	30·161	+ ·113	+ ·060	NNW	3	62·6	84·4	55·9	+5·4	42	0	...	...	—0·08
Jacobabad	30·199	+ ·068	+ ·075	Calm	1	45·1	77·9	39·1	—6·8	65	0	...	...	...a
Karachi	30·193	+ ·064	+ ·083	E N E	8	54·0	80·6	53·0	—4·8	48	0	...	0·03	+0·03b
Ajmere	30·273	+ ·121	+ ·079	Calm	1	47·7	75·7	43·3	—6·3	84	0	...	...	—0·07a
Deesa	30·152	+ ·164	+ ·049	N E	10	63·2	83·1	54·9	+2·6	31	0	...	...	—0·08a
Rajkot	30·144	+ ·056	+ 0·56	N N W	5	57·5	80·4	45·5	—7·3	40	0	...	...	—0·35a
Neemuch	30·206	+ ·092	+ ·055	Calm	...	59·7	79·7	48·3	—1·0	52	0	...	...	—0·10a
Indore	30·184	+ ·086	+ ·066	E S E	1	61·3	84·1	54·6	+6·7	52	0	...	...	—0·38a
[illegible]gor	30·153	+ ·107	+ ·020	E N E	2	61·2	83·3	54·8	+4·0	56	0	...	...	—0·46a
Jubbulpore	30·209	+ ·084	+ ·052	Calm		55·5	82·9	44·9	+0·3	61	0	...	...	—0·51a
Hoshangabad	30·180	+ ·088	+ ·023	E	1	53·9	84·8	52·3	+2·8	65	1	...	...	—0·39a
Khandva	30·148	...	+ ·050	S E	2	61·8	87·7	51·6	+4·5	51	0	...	...	—0·35a
Raipur	30·123	+ ·090	+ ·031	W NW	4	61·2	83·5	57·3	+3·8	64	0	...	0·01	—0·56a
Nagpur	30·126	+ ·079	+ ·034	N	4	66·2	84·7	56·8	+4·0	53	0	...	...	—0·79a
Amraoti	30·126	+ ·068	+ ·044	E N E	5	70·7	87·6	59·8	+5·2	33	0	...	...	—0·66a
Akola	30·138	+ ·076	+ ·027	Calm	4	58·9	86·5	50·6	+2·2	81	0	...	...	—0·84
Surat	30·078	+ ·022	+ ·030	N	L	63·4	84·0	53·2	—3·3	55	1	...	...	—0·18b
Malegaon	30·131	+ ·050	+ ·028	Calm	2	66·4	88·4	52·0	+3·6	40	0	...	...	—0·76
Bombay	30·053	+ ·041	+ ·033	E N E	11	71·4	81·4	66·1	—3·5	80	0	...	...	—0·58a
Poona	30·153	+ ·071	+ ·047	Calm	5	61·6	87·4	53·0	—0·2	49	0	...	...	—1·27a
Sholapur	30·137	+ ·077	+ ·060	E	6	68·2	89·2	55·6	—1·4	40	0	...	...	—0·94a
Ratnagiri	30·026	+ ·048	+ ·045	E	6	79·8	84·4	63·4	—3·2	49	0	...	...	—0·51a
Belgaum	30·074	+ ·071	+ ·046	N	1	67·9	85·7	58·5	+0·7	45	0	...	0·34	...a
Goa	30·043	+ ·050	...	E	2	74·0	81·0	71·0	...	95	0	...	0·04	...a
Karwar	30·008	+ ·059	+ ·028	N E	2	67·1	85·1	63·1	—3·2	83	0	...	...	—1·86a
Mangalore	30·011	+ ·026	+ ·038	E N E	2	75·9	85·3	71·4	+0·1	79	1	...	0·34	—3·18
Calicut	30·001	+ ·030	+ ·036	E	6	77·6	87·8	72·1	...	83	0	...	1·70	—4·28b
Cochin	30·011	+ ·026	+ ·062	E S E	M	79·9	88·3	74·6	+0·9	83	0	...	6·59	—1·48b
Bangalore	30·103	+ ·071	+ ·038	E	1	66·1	81·8	60·0	+1·0	80	4	...	0·15	—3·68b
Secunderabad	30·121	+ ·047	+ ·029	Calm	3	64·0	85·7	57·1	+1·1	66	4	...	0·30	—1·62a
Masulipatam	30·081	+ ·069	+ ·061	N N E	3	71·8	82·6	67·1	—0·1	83	7	...	2·28	—5·33a
Bellary	30·096	+ ·057	+ ·051	Calm	1	70·0	87·5	60·4	—1·1	71	0	...	0·66	—1·60b
Cuddapah	30·075	+ ·066	...	N N E	...	71·3	88·1	66·5	...	78	4	...	2·35	—3·34a
Madras	30·053	+ ·066	+ ·054	N N W	9	78·3	86·8	71·2	+0·4	74	5	...	5·47	—13·3a
Coimbatore	30·006	— ·011	— ·008	N E	1	73·5	89·7	69·8	+2·7	86	3	...	1·33	—3·244
Trichinopoly	30·031	+ ·010	+ ·037	N E	6	75·2	91·1	71·3	+1·7	79	7	...	1·71	—4·57b
Negapatam	30·020	+ ·032	+ ·052	WN W	7	75·9	84·0	75·3	+3·3	90	10	...	4·46	—16·35b
Colombo	29·956	— ·020	+ ·002	N	8	85·5	86·5	75·5	...	68	1	...	10·70	— 4·16c

In column "Wind Rate per hour," L= Light, M= Moderate, F= Fresh, S= Strong, H= Heavy.
a Fine clear weather. *b* Fine weather with passing clouds. *c* Clouds low, moving rapidly with scuds.

SUMMARY.—With the exception of a slight local fall at Coimbatore, the barometer has risen at all stations. The rise has been very rapid in the Punjab, North-West Provinces and Rajputana, rapid in Berar, the Central Provinces, Gujarat and Central India, and brisk everywhere else. The general distribution remains unaltered, a high pressure area overlying Rajputana, and a low pressure area existing in Ceylon. The unequal changes of pressure have, as compared with yesterday, increased somewhat considerably the baric gradients in Gujarat, Rajputana, and also at and in the neighbourhood of Bombay and Ratnagiri. Pressure is above the normal average in all districts, except locally at Coimbatore, where it is slightly below it. Calm is reported from Jacobabad, Ajmere, Jubulpore, Neemuch, Akola, Malegaon, Poona, Secunderabad, and Bellary. The winds have generally shifted to the north-east at most stations in the Madras Presidency, and are north-westerly in the Punjab, North-West Provinces, and also at Negapatam, Madras, Belgaum, Surat, and Nagpur. In all other districts they continue to blow generally from the north-east or south-east. The wind velocity of the past 24 hours has been above the average at Negapatam, Trichinopoly, Madras, Calicut, Bombay, Akola, Amraoti Nagpur, Deesa, and at stations in the North-West Provinces. The anemometric observations at 8 a.m. this morning show that winds are increasing in force at Negapatam, Trichinopoly, Calicut, Karwar, Ratnagiri, Bombay, Khandwa, Deesa, Karachi, Agra, and Allahabad. The maximum temperature continues to be below the average in Sind, Rajputana, Gujarat, and on the West Coast from Surat to Mangalore. In all the remaining districts it is 2° to 6° above the normal. The highest maximum temperature nowhere reached 90° except at Trichnopoly (91°). The night temperature is generally above the mean for the season, but is moderately cooler than usual in Sind, Rajputana, and at several stations in the Bombay Presidency. The mean temperature of the day has decreased 6° at Agra and Delhi, but elsewhere the changes are small. Humidity appears to be rising generally in the Madras Presidency, Mysore, and at a few other stations. Skies appear to be getting more clouded in the Madras Presidency and Mysore. There has been no rain at any of the observing stations. The weather is generally fine and clear in most districts, except in the Madras Presidency and Mysore, where it is cloudy. With the increase of baric gradients in Sind, Rajputana, Gujarat, and on the West Coast, between Surat and Goa, and also off the West Coast in the Arabian Sea between Veraval and Mangalore, an increase of wind velocity is very likely.

S. H. C. HUTCHINSON,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE German Man-of-War Carola entered the Government Dock yesterday for repairs.

THE Schooner Gulianar, 90 tons, Nakoda, sailed, on Saturday for Damaun with a general cargo.

THE Brig Arypassao, 66 tons, Nakoda, arrived in harbour on Friday evening from Inhambane with a general cargo and 2 deck passengers.

THE Italian steamer Bormida, 1499 tons, Captain E De Negri, sailed on Saturday for Honkong via Singapore with a general cargo and 4 deck passengers.

THE Coasting ss Kaveri 543 tons, Nakoda, arrived in harbour on Saturday from Mangalore with a general cargo, one first class passenger, and 133 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's s s Megna 754 tons, Captain R J Rickford, arrived in harbour on Saturday morning from Calcutta, with a general cargo, Father Antonio de Silva as Cabin passenger, and 4 deck passengers.

THE s s Lancashire, 2,507 tons Captain Geo. H Harris, sailed on Saturday for Marseilles and Liverpool via Canal with a general cargo, and the following passengers :—Mr Leggett, Dr Ferguson, Mr and Mrs Magarrack and 9 deck passengers on board.

THE B I S N Co's s s Satara, 820 tons, Captain T W Lewins, sailed on Saturday for Kathiawar Coast and Karachi with a general cargo and the following passengers :—Mr and Mrs Haig, Mr C Pandurang, Mr Cooper, Mrs. S Answorth and 68 deck passenges on board.

THE Anchor Line s s Armenia 2218 tons, Captain George Read, sailed on Saturday for Aden, Merseilles, and Glasgow with a general cargo and the following passengers :—Revd Hamilton, Col and Mrs Young, Mrs G Hay and child, Mr Chernside, Lieut R T Tottenham, and 33 deck passengers.

THE Rubattino s s Singapore, Capt Parodi, arrived in harbour yesterday evening from Genoa (Nov 20), with the Italian mail and the following passengers :—Mr and Mrs Hill, Mr and Mrs Ward and children, Mrs A Chatfield, Mrs Anderson, Mrs L R Griffiths and a lady friend, Miss Blasendorf, Capt J Day, Mr P R Kerrawalla, Mr Helaers, Mr Slight, Signor Visconti, Mr Priestley Foster and family, Sig. Giuseppe Varesi, Lt Logan, Mr and Mrs English, Mr and Mrs Tracy, Mr and Mrs Eblen, Mrs and Miss Ward, Mr and Mrs Wyer, Major L P Dowdale, Capt Aplin, Mr Place, Col Macpherson, Mr and Mrs J E Bridges, Sig. Ugo Ferrari, and four missionaries.

ARRIVAL OF THE CHINA AND AUSTRALIAN MAILS.

THE P and O Co's steamer Coromandel, 2383 tons, Captain J Rieves, arrived in harbour on Saturday, from China, (16th Nov), with Her Majesty's China and Australian mails, a general cargo, and the following passengers :—From Shanghai, Mr J G Dunn, Mr W D Graham and servant. From Hongkong—Mr C E G Crawford, Mr and Mrs Sivewright, Mr B N Fallakia, and Mr Byramji Nusservanji. From Sydney—Mr Pratt, Miss Pratt, Capt S H Westropp, and Mr J Klinge Chofer. From Melbourne—Mr and Mrs J Fryer, Miss Paterson, and Mr J Steel, Jr. From Colombo—Mr F T Atkins and servant, Capt and Mrs Ackbar, Dr and Mrs J S Wait, Mr Douglas, Mr W Babcock, Mr H Babcock, Mr Glyn Eccles, Mr C J Guzdar and Mr K R Oonwalla, and 10 deck passengers.

VESSELS IN DOCKS.—DECEMBER 7.

VICTORIA DOCK.

			No.	
S.S. Armenia	2218	Read	2	W & A Graham & Co
„ Bormida	1499	Negri	4	F Bozzoni
„ Teheran	1670	Sams	5	P & O Co.
„ Busheer	539	Simpson	9	B I S N Co.
„ Lancashire	2507	Harris	10	K Nixon & Co
„ Merton Hall	2552	Hughes	12	Edward Bates & Co.
„ Cuba	1301	Agnew	12	K Nixon & Co.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander	From
6	Arypassa (brig)	Nakoda	Inhambane.
7	Megna (s)	Rickford	Calcutta, Nov 15.
	Coromandel (s)	Reeves	China, &c.
	Kaveri (s)	Nakoda	Mangalore, Dec 3.

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander	Destination.
7	Hindoo (s)	Baker	Cutch Mandvie, &c.
	Lancashire (s)	Harris	Liverpool.
	Bormida (s)	de Negri	Honkong.
	Armenia (s)	Read	Marseilles & Glasgow
	Satara (s)	Lewins	K Coast & Karachi
	Gulianar (schr)	Nakoda	Damaun.

The following vessels were entered for loading last Saturday :—
Steamer Busheer, for Marmugoa.
„ Baghdad, for Zanzibar, &c.
„ Twickenham, for Marseilles, &c.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.			
3	Akaba s	Mandens	Colombo, Nov 28.
	Maharani s	Edge	Rangoon, Nov 24.
	Rajpootana s	Stebbing	Moulmein, Nov 25.
	Aska s	Jacobs	Clyde, Oct 24.
4	Niobe s	Rassevich	Colombo. Nov 20.
	Kohinur s	Bullock	Bombay, Nov 15.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 3.—I. M. Steamer Clive.
Dec. 4.—Steamer Bhundara.

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.			
4	Maharajah s	......	Calcutta.
6	Asia s	......	Calcutta.

DEPARTURES.

Dec.			
4	Booldana s	......	Rangoon.
5	Maharajah s	......	Bombay.
	C. Macpherson s	......	Calcutta.

DAILY IMPORTS.—DECEMBER 7.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Merton Hall s—1 case chains, A R Kaderbhoy ; 3 cases stationery, H Abdoolall.

Cuba s—500 boxes bar soap, Essoofally Allybhoy ; 1,000 boxes pale soap, Owen and Okell ; 50 casks spindle oil, J B K Macbeth ; 250 boxes bar soap, K Essajee ; 1,000 boxes bar soap, N Nooroodin ; 500 cases bar soap S B and Sons.

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Strathmore s—425 cases whisky, Dhunjibhoy Cowasjee.

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Oriental s—18 packages merchandise, Phillips and Co ; 2 cases musical instruments, and 6 cases writing paper, S Rose and Co; 5 packages medicine stationery &c., Phillips and Co ; 5 cases medicine, The Agra Bank Ld ; 3 cases biscuits, A M Goolam Hoosein ; 1 cases confectionery, Dr S Smith ; 3 cases medicine, J Visram and Co ; 4 cases medicine, H A Chandabhai and Co ; 7 cases cheese, bacon, and ham, Bull and Co ; 22 cases cheese, Treacher and Co ; 5 cases oilmanstores, and 8 cases soap, medicine &c, Sumsudin and Co ; etc., ; 75 cases wine and 52 cases champagne, D Cowasji.

Ganges s—2 hogsheads and 1 qr-cask brandy, M Kussee and Co ; 1 hogshead brandy, R Ramchundra and Co.

Kerbella s—7 cases plateglass, Sorabji Cowasji and Co ; 10 cases whisky, Cutler Palmer and Co.

Peninsular s—9 cases whisky, Cutler Palmer and Co.

Mirzapore s—7 cases writing paper, &c, N Cumroodin.

Peshawar s—30 cases sherry, Cutler Palmer and Co.

FROM MARSEILLES.

Labourdonnais s—4 cases saffron, Volkart Brothers ; 8 cases saffron, B A Hormusjee.

FROM HULL.

Apollo s—50 drums linseed oil, D Sullemanji ; 50 drums linseed oil, R M Chiagar and Co ; 50 drums linseed oil, A C Abdool Hoosein ; 15 cases matches, A H Dawoodbhoy ; 50 cases matches, R Dadabhoy ; 50 drums linseed oil, S Tyebjee and Co ; 50 drums linseed oil, A Jewanjee ; 100 drums linseed oil, E A Curreem ; 20 cases matches, Abdool Hoosein Ebram.

FROM HAMBURG.

Mirzapore s—1 case medicine, A C Amesy.

FROM TRIESTE.

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FROM BORDEAUX.

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FROM GENOA.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

SATURDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 7.

SILVER remained at 43¾d. per oz. in London yesterday; but we learn that the tone of the market was firm, with no sellers at that price. Rupee Securities were unaltered in each denomination at Thursday's quotations. Consols were also unchanged at 97¼; and Indian Sterling Loan at 107. The market rates of discount were again lowered by ⅛ per cent., making them stand at 3¾ on short London Bills, and 3½ on six months' sight Indian Bank Paper. Quotations from Paris come again unaltered both for Rentes and Exchange in London. The weekly shipments of Specie to Bombay consisted of £110,00 in Silver, and £70,000 in Gold. To-day there was an advance of ⅛d. per oz. in Silver in London, making the price 43⅞d. Five lakhs of Council Bills on Calcutta were placed at Wednesday's rate of 1s. 4⅞d.; and a lakh of Wire Transfers on Madras, at 1s. 4 29-32d.

An advance of 1d. per cental in spot Soft Red Wheat in Liverpool at 6s. 9d. ex-quay is the only change reported in that market, the tone of which was quiet. The total quantity of Wheat afloat for the United Kingdom yesterday was 1,570,000 quarters, or 110,000 quarters more than was upon the water a week ago. The Seed market was unchanged in position, and prices both of Lin and Rape are quoted as before. Copper was steady at an advance of 1s. per cwt. in Mid.-Plantation.

From quiet, the Liverpool Cotton market became dull yesterday, but spot prices were quite unaltered, though American Futures were 1-64d. higher in all positions. The total sales were again 8,000 bales, but including only half the quantity of Surats sold on Thursday, at 600 bales, the market for these being called quiet but steady. The Imports were 27,000 bales. Manchester market was quiet but steady. The Liverpool market closed dull again this afternoon, Surats quiet, the sales having been the same as yesterday's, on both lines. "Fully Good Fair" Tinnevelly is quoted ⅛d. higher at 5⅛d. per lb., and "Good" 1-16d. up, at 5 5-16; but all other spot and arrival quotations come unaltered. The day's Imports were 18,000 bales.

There was some increase in the volume of business passing in Liverpool last week, the total Sales having been 4,000 bales, more at 55,000 bales, than in the previous week, while the amount taken by the trade and forwarded was 7,000 bales greater, at 131,000 bales. The Imports were 9,000 bales heavier, at 143,000 bales. The total Stock had increased during the week by 51,000 bales, and the comparative figures, which we give below, show that it had become 261,000 bales greater than it was at this time last year, and heavier, by 92,000 bales than in 1887 for the corresponding week. The stock of Surats remained at 123,000 bales. There were 100,000 bales of Cotton altogether in sight more than was the case a week ago, while of East Indian Cotton there were a few thousands bales less visible. Compared with last year's figures at this time, the total Visible Supply was yesterday greater by 415,000 bales, though 129,000 less as against 1887 at the same time; while in the case of East Indian Cotton an increase of 115,000 bales and a decrease of 54,000 bales for the two years, respectively, is shown by the subjoined figures. The price of spot Mid.-American remained at 5 9-16d. throughout the week, being thus on a level with the quotation at this time in 1887, though 1-16d. above that for last year; but American arrivals have moved up from 1-16d. in the nearer positions to 5-64d. in the more distant.

In New York there was no change yesterday, Thursday's quotations being repeated both for ready Mid.-Uplands and March Futures. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 35,000 bales, making the week's total 10,000 bales above that of both the two previous years. The figures for the receipts since the opening of the season now show an increase of 489,000 bales compared with last year, while as against 1887 the falling off has become reduced to 25,000 bales. The quantity of Cotton in sight yesterday was 2,830,000 bales, against 2,670,000 on the previousFriday. Spot Cotton and March Futures are again wired this evening at 10¼ cents. and 10·21 cents. respectively. The Receipts at the Ports are given as 37,000 bales, compared with 40,000 bales last year, and 32,000 bales the year before.

The American crop figures to date give the following comparisons with the two previous seasons:—

	1889.	1888.	1887.
Week's receipts	259,000	249,030	219,000
„ exports to U. K.	85,000	105,000	104,000
„ „ Continent	142,000	91,000	50,000
Total receipts since 1st Sept	3,340,000	2,851,000	3,365,000
„ exports to U. K. do.	1,313,000	1,077,000	1,103,000
„ „ to Continent do.	997,000	688,000	917,000
„ Stock in the Ports	695,000	799,000	951,000

The total Visible Supply of Cotton for all Europe on 6th instant affords the following comparisons with the two previous years:—

	1889.	1888.	1887.
Total supply of all kinds	2,810,000	2,395,020	2,938,580
„ „ Surats	219,000	133,710	303,310

For the United Kingdom only the figures are:—

Stock in Liverpool	702,000	440,540	609,990
„ London	16,000	7,000	30,000
American Afloat	290,000	304,000	235,000
East Indian „	15,000	10,000	18,000
	1,023,000	761,540	892,990
Price of Mid.-Americans	5 9-16d.	5¼d.	5 9-16d.
„ Good Dhollera	4 9-16d.	4⅝d.	4⅜d.
Difference	1d.	⅝d.	1 3-16d.

Locally, the staple has been quiet, only the usual moderate, not to say small, business in ready new Cotton having transpired. The day's purchases, which sum up about 1,500 bales, have been made up principally of Bengals, at Rs. 178 to Rs. 189½; Julgaum, at Rs. 204-10; Khangaum, at Rs. 210-16½; Dhulia, at Rs. 197½; and Pachora, at Rs. 200; a little Akola having also been taken, at Rs. 205; and Oomra, at Rs. 199 per candy. A small parcel of old Barsee also changed hands at Rs. 190½. Prices show no quotable change.

WHEAT has been in much less enquiry to-day, and only a small business has been reported. The tone of the market, though no longer firm, is still steady, and prices for all descriptions are quite unchanged.

SEEDS have been taken to moderate extent for export, and the market is steady at previous quotations for all kinds.

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay yesterday were as follows:—

Cotton	4,512	bales.
Wheat	30,489	cwt.
Linseed	6,741	„
Rapeseed	9,750	„
Gingelly	16,629	„
Ground Nuts	2,027	„
Castor Seed	2,822	„

FREIGHTS continue quiet but steady, and no fresh business of importance has transpired to-day.

EXCHANGE has been steady, and our quotations are 1-16d. higher for Bank Telegraphic for January-February transfer, and 1-32d. for three months' sight Credits; but very little business has been passing either way. In Bank Demand, for December delivery, 1s. 4⅞d. has been given. We quote:—

Bank Bills on Demand		...1s. 4 27-32d.	per rupee.
Do.	Telegraphic	...1s. 4 13-16d.	„
Do.	3 months' sight	...1s. 4 15-16d.	„
Credits	3 do.	...1s. 5 3-32d.	„
Francs	3 do.	...1·80.	„

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—This market is without animation; but rates have an upward tendency, a bull feeling being now generally prevalent. Fours for cash opened at 98 11-16, with the January account, at 98 9-16 buyers, and although the Calcutta rate came 98⅝, was advanced 1-16 per cent, closing at 98¾ for cash. A bargain is reported to have been booked for the February settlement, at 98 5-16. For 4½ per cents 102½ is still the nominal quotation.

SHARES have been quiet, and our quotations are generally unchanged. The feeling as to Spinning shares still favours buyers; but the only further alterations we have to notice are a decline of Rs. 5 in Hindustan, and of Rs. 10 in Indian Manufacturing at Rs. 775, and Rs. 940, respectively. Fort Press shares are Rs. 10 lower, at Rs. 440; Volkart Press at Rs. 5 higher at Rs. 600. Bank of Bombay shares are Rs. 2½ up, at Rs. 947½.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

WILKIE—December 1, at Simla, the wife of Surgeon-Major D Wilkie, I M S, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

HAMER—WILSON—December 3, at St Paul's, Calcutta, by the Rev W MacCarthy, Robert Bradburn Hamer, of Messrs R Scott, Thompson and Co, to Agnes Ellen Maud, third daughter of Dr Wm Wilson, of Chinsura.

DEATHS.

BAMFORD—December 4, at Jhelum, Richard Eric, youngest son of the Rev F W Bamford.

BURTON—December 1, at Jullunder, Cecil Morton Burton, E A C and Justice of the Peace.

HICKMAN—November 27, at Murree, Mary, the wife of Major S C Hickman, Royal Horse Artillery, aged 24 years.

McARDLE—At Meerut, suddenly, on his arrival from Peshawar, Mr James McArdle, Schoolmaster, 37th Royal Irish Fusiliers, aged 47 years.

MORSE—November 18, at Bhamo, Upper Burma, (of debility resulting from a long course of fever), Euphemia the loving and beloved wife of F W Morse, Executive Engineer, P W D in her 37th year.

SKINNER—December 4, at Colombo, Edward F Skinner, of Silcoorie, Cachar.

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1889.

THE disinterested agitation which has been organised in the manufacturing districts of the North of England to bring about the restriction by legislation of the hours of labour in Indian mills gives a pleasant sense of actuality to the far more potent movement which has for its object to limit the labour of adults, men, and women, in England by Act of Parliament, to eight hours a day. Mr. Champion, not long ago an Artillery Officer quartered in Bombay, contributed to one of the monthly reviews a few weeks since an able article, setting forth not only the advisability of effecting a revolution in the conditions of English industrial life, but the certainty that very soon the voting power of the English working classes will compel Parliament to fix eight hours as the maximum of labour throughout the Kingdom. He admitted that English manufacturers might be placed at a disadvantage in competing in foreign markets with the outturn of Continental mills where the hands work for twelve hours a day, but he cuts short such pitiful appeals to local patriotism by pointing out that a very large portion of the produce of English industry does not go abroad for purchasers, but is consumed at home, and that differential duties might fairly be levied to protect the English artisan from the competition of overworked foreigners, and thus accelerate the time when these latter would also insist upon the enforcement by law of an eight hours' limit to the working day. This heresy—if heresy it be, seeing that English manufacturers who are of the straightest sect of economic Phariseeism hold that for the accomplishment of desirable ends the arm of the legislator may rightly curtail the hours during which adults—in India—are to labour. The movement, it so happens, finds its most active and formidable adversaries, according to so good an authority as Mr. H. M. Hyndman, in Mr. Charles Bradlaugh and Mr. John Morley. It falls to the lot of these two Liberals "to repeat with the variations due to their individual ability, the arguments of the capitalist class in every country." The argument of the capitalists chief in Germany, is that with an eight-hour day it would be impossible to pay the present rate of wages and meet English, French, and Belgian competition. In France it is argued that the limitation of the hours of labour would encourage English, German, and Belgian competition; while in Great Britain the fearful results of German, French, and Belgian competition are the stock-in-trade of the spokesmen of the capitalists. It suits Mr. Hyndman's controversial purpose to assume that those who are against the movement for limiting by statute the hours of employment speak in the interest of the capitalists; but the two opponents of the movement just mentioned would repudiate that assumption, and would rest their opposition on the ground that the enforcement of the reduction of the hours of labour would tell most heavily against the labourers whose industry is their only capital. Mr. Bradlaugh has set forth in a recent number of the *New Review* the manifold evils which would accrue to the labouring population if they were debarred by statute from the right to regulate their labour by the exigencies of each trade or calling. The junior member for Northampton lays it down as a first principle that it is not, and ought not to be, the first duty of Parliament to fix the hours during which adults may work. He attributes the eight-hours movement to the growing tendency, of a most dangerous character, to appeal to the Government for an immediate remedy for all difficulties arising from the struggle for existence. He holds that the hours of daily labour should be reduced as far as practicable in each industry by negociation and arrangement, after mutual discussion between the employers and the organised employed. The shortening of the hours of labour to the lowest point consistent with the profitable conduct of each industry is good in itself, and the writer agrees with Mr. Burt, who was sent into the House of Commons as a representative of labour, that at present in some industries the hours are scandalously and injuriously long, and might with advantage to all concerned, and injury to none, be greatly reduced. The objection is to the proposal to the hours of labour by legislation.

The advocates of an eight-hours law are by no means agreed as to interfere such a law should prescribe. The official representative of an important body of miners defined it as meaning that there should be only one shift of eight hours a day. This, of course, would limit the output. Other representatives see the danger of such a provision and avoid committing themselves to it. At the Bradford Trades Union Congress it was proposed to have an eight-hours bill for coal workers and railway servants. What would be the result of having only one shift of eight hours on all railways? The Congress was also asked to include seamen in any law restricting the hours of labour. What would become of ships and steamers going to sea under such conditions? The Congress rejected these proposals, but decided to take a plebiscite of the trades on the question—"Are you in favour of an eight-hours working day? Are you in favour of its being obtained by Act of Parliament." The majority answered the first question in the affirmative; and the second in the negative. But it is contended by the advocates of legislation that the second question was not clearly put, and that the answers received were not in accordance with the real opinion of the trade. A doubt has already arisen, whether an eight-hours law which fixes the maximum, should not be regarded as also fixing the minimum number of hours' labour. It appears that the miners in Northumberland and Durham have by organization reduced their hours to six and three-quarters' actual work at coal-hewing, and seven hours and a half, bank to bank. Formerly the hours varied from nine to twelve. It was asked by a representative of the Durham miners, what would become of those men who worked less than eight hours a day under an Eight Hours Bill. The reply of a Scottish miner was, if there were men working six hours a day and men working twelve hours a day, it would be an improvement to have them all working eight hours a day. This hard-headed Scotchman evidently held that it would be quite right and proper to lengthen the Durham miner's day's work in order to shorten his own. Other difficulties arise. How would an eight-hours' limit be imposed on those boot and shoemakers who work at their trades in their own homes? Again, the lace-makers in Coventry have to struggle against Continental competition, which would overwhelm them if their hours of labour were cut short. The miners are not alone in desiring to restrict labour in mines to one shift of eight hours' with a view to raise prices by diminishing output, and thus obtain higher wages for less work. Arguments of the same kind have been used in favour of diminishing the output of cotton and other manufactures. As an enhancement of prices all round would tell against the wage-receiver, it is clear that wages would have to be augmented considerably to give them any advantage. With regard to the foreign trade, the result would, on the one hand, handicap the goods exported, while on the other it would stimulate foreign competition in the home market. This would naturally lead to a cry for protection, which would again raise prices and hinder trade. Mr. Champion sees no objection whatever to temporary protective legislation against those nations which do not adopt an Eight Hours Law. Indeed, he argues that protective legislation of this kind would be beneficial to humanity by compelling backward countries to level up (or should it be level down?) to the eight hours' standard.

Into what devious paths those may be led who once commit themselves to the doctrine of State interference with the hours of adult labour. The danger of such legislation is not so remote as might be supposed. The Swiss Government invited the other European States to discuss the possibility and desirability of limiting the hours of labour by law under international arrangement. Lord Salisbury's Government is the only one which has refused to entertain this proposal and Mr. Hyndman in his reply in the *New Review* to Mr. Bradlaugh's article and Mr. Morley's obdurate pronouncement, pathetically laments that on social questions in England commercial Liberals and commercial Tories are six of one and half a dozen of another. The international conference held in December to consider the conditions under which the labouring population throughout Europe now suffer, is regarded by the apostles of the movement as an indication that the dangers of international competition may be diminished, and one of the chief difficulties in the way of an eight-hour law removed. The arguments in favour of such an evolution are plausible, and such as to obtain widespread acceptance amongst the proletariat of every country. Mr. Hyndman points to the fact that while women and girls work for fifty-six or sixty hours a week in the Manchester mills and in London, the slaves on the West Indian plantations, agricultural hands who worked in the open air were restricted by law to forty-five hours a week. The drivers and conductors of omnibuses and tram-cars in London are kept at work sixteen or seventeen hours a day, Sunday included, while the horses only get three or four a day, and have each a day's rest in the week. It costs more to replace a horse that is broken down than a man who is worn out. This particular grievance will probably be remedied by the strike organised by Mr. John Burns, and it is impossible to withhold sympathy from the victims of such hard and exacting service. There is, however, a difference between sixteen or seventeen hours a day, and a period of eight hours, arbitrarily fixed by law. It is worth noting that the philanthropists in Manchester and Oldham who have moved heaven and earth, and the Secretary of State and Lord Lansdowne's Government, to lighten the toil of the Bombay mill-hands, have never given a moment's thought to the hardships of the English tramway and omnibus employes who are being worked to death under their very eyes.

THE prospects of the opium revenue for the current financial year are much better than they seemed when the Budget was drawn up. The revenue was estimated last March at 19,30,000 less than in 1888 9, mainly on account of an anticipated reduction in the shipments from the Bombay side. For November alone, however, the pass-duty was more than eight lakhs better than the estimate, while for the eight months it was Rs. 7,12,975 better. The Bengal sales, which were estimated for at higher prices than last year, have this month been over four lakhs in excess of the estimate, while in the nine months, including the December sales, they show nearly thirty-six lakhs to the good. Altogether the opium revenue stands to-day Rs. 42,94,000 better than the estimate.

THE allegation is sometimes made that our irrigation policy is only half as successful as it might be, because the charges for water are put so high that the ryots will not take it. This belief derives no support from the operations of the Bombay Irrigation Department during the kharif season of 1889-90. In the season which has just closed the area for which water was applied for was 36 per cent. in excess of that applied for last year, which in its turn was nearly fifty per cent. in excess of the year before. The area now irrigated is double the average area of the four years ending 1887-88, so that the department is enlarging its operations and the ryots seem well able to pay the rates demanded. It is the more agreeable to notice this, as there seems meantime to be a marked tendency now to abandon the subsoil water assessments which were the subject of so much controversy five years ago.

THE British India steamer Arrawatti arrived at Zanzibar on Saturday with Colonel Euan Smith, ConsulrGeneral at Zanzibar, and Mrs. Euan Smith, Mr. Mackenzie of the British East African Company, and other passengers all well. The steamer was detained by grounding at the entrance to Lamoo, which is always a difficult harbour to make.

A TELEGRAM from Aden states that the P. and O. Co.'s s.s. Bokhara, which is bringing the outward English mails, in place of the disabled steamer Siam, may be expected to arrive in Bombay on Tuesday afternoon.

WE are glad to learn that General Budgen is making fair progress towards recovery from his recent accident. Amongst the many callers at the General's bungalow have been Lady Reay and Mr. Childers, who last evening made kind inquiries.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT arrived in Bombay on Saturday, and left the same evening on a tour of inspection of the troops at Ahmedabad, Rajkote, and Bhooj. His Royal Highness, accompanied by the Duchess, and attended by Colonel Cavaye, Colonel Jopp, Colonel Cunningham, Captain Ferguson, and Dr. Kilkelly, arrived by the Poona train at 6 p.m. at the Victoria Terminus, where Lady Reay, Major Sawyer and Captain Bode, of the District Staff, Captain Herbert, Aide-de-Camp to the Duke (who had arrived in Bombay on Saturday morning with Mrs. Cavaye), Captain Briggs, and Mr. H Scannell, Superintendent of the G. I. P. Railway Police, were present to meet their Royal Highnesses. The Duke shook hands with the officers present, and passed some time in conversation with Lady Reay and others. The Duchess drove over with Lady Reay to the premises of the Royal Yacht Club. The Duke, accompanied by Colonel Cavaye, followed in another carriage and pair, escorted by four sowars of His Royal Highness's body guard. The Duke and Duchess, Colonel and Mrs. Cavaye and others of the staff, dined at the Yacht Club. Accompanied by Colonel and Mrs. Cavaye, Captain Herbert, and Dr. Kilkelly, their Royal Highnesses left at 9 p.m. from the Church Gate station of the B. B. and C. I. Railway for Rajkote and other places.

LADY REAY has written to Mr. P. A. Wadia, the president of the Parsi Amateur Dramatic Society, expressing her great satisfaction with the performance given by the society last week, which far exceeded her anticipations.

IT is proposed to give a public ball in Lahore on the occasion of Prince Victor's visit early in January.

IT is understood that the vacancy in the Calcutta High Court, caused by Mr. Justice Mitter's regretted retirement, will, if possible, be filled by the appointment of a Mahomedan Judge. And although there may be some difficulty in finding a suitable one, the desire to make such an appointment will be approved by every disinterested person. Of the three possible selections which are publicly canvassed—Mr. Justice Mahmood of the North-West High Court, Mr. Amir Ali, an ex-Magistrate of Calcutta, once member of the Bengal Council, and now a barrister of the Calcutta Court, and Mr. Mahomed Yusuf, a pleader of that Court—it seems probable that the first named gentleman will be considered the most eligible, with the best claim; but that, necessarily, would not settle the matter unless he were desirous of being transferred.

MR. H. B. H. TURNER, of Messrs. Turner, Morrison and Co., has been appointed Sheriff of Calcutta for the ensuing year.

MR. A. E. C. CASEY is permitted to resign the Bengal Civil Service.

THE services of Mr. J. H. Budden, of the North-West Provinces Educational Department, tutor to the minor Nawab of Rampore, which were at first temporarily placed at the disposal of the Rampore State, have now been extended for the entire period of the minority of the Nawab.

THREE murders are reported to have been committed in and about Peshawar within the last few days, but no trace has been found of the murderers. One man was shot dead in the streets of Peshawar a few nights ago, and it appeared from his dress that he was a sepoy. Two Afridis were literally hacked to pieces near Jamrud, by whom, nobody knows.

ANOTHER case of stealing arms has reached the *Civil and Military Gazette* from Rawal Pindi, where five Military carbines where stolen from the King's Dragoon Guards barracks, on the night of the 30th November. Only a few days before two rifles were stolen from the Sussex Regiment and one from the Seaforth Highlanders. Last cold weather, nearly all the regiments stationed about Rawal Pindi lost arms; and the thieves this year have started well.

THE Engineer-in-Chief's office for the newly sanctioned "Frontier Railway Survey" has been opened at Rawal Pindi from the 2nd December 1889. Mr. Ramsay, the Engineer-in-Chief, is still at Calcutta, and will reach Rawal Pindi on or about the 16th instant.

THE importation of Australian horses into Calcutta this season promises to be less than last year's, when the normal quantity was swollen by large arrivals from New Zealand. That country appears at present to have no surplus to send. Approximately, the total importations of 1888 were about 3,800: those of this season will probably not exceed 2,500. But if, after rejecting greys and undersized animals, the Presidency Remount Agent is able to secure the 1,100 for the public service which he requires, of which there seems every likelihood, that speaks volumes for the general character of the stock. Fifty per cent of sound, serviceable horses is a big average.

MR. W. R. MORFILL has been appointed to a pleasant post at Oxford—that of the Slavonic Readership. In the hands of a capable expositor, the Slavonic language and literature should prove fascinating to an audience of Oxford students—the more especially if, unlike Latin and Greek, Slavonic is taught as literature, as the expression of the life of a great and advancing race. As a rule, however, University lecturers on language and literature are at astonishing pains—unintentionally, of course, which is the worst of it—to render their subject dry and repulsive. Mr. Morfill's wide knowledge of other literatures, ancient and modern, should render his Slavonic discourses all the more profitable.

MUSICAL education in England owes very much to Dr. Henry Wylde. He it was who founded the New Philharmonic Society, and who established the London Academy of Music, and who subsequently built at his own expense St. George's Hall as a suitable *locale* for that institution. The London Academy educates annually between five and six hundred students. For a quarter of a century Dr. Wylde conducted the New Philharmonic Concerts. He was born at Bushy, Herts, in 1822. He was taught at the Royal Academy, where ultimately he became a professor. He received his Doctorate of Music from Cambridge forty years ago.

A NEW explosive under the name of "extralite" has recently been introduced in New York. It consists of a mixture of ammonium nitrate, potassium chlorate, and naphthalene, and resembles cane sugar in colour and consistency. It is claimed for it that it is safe to handle, not liable to spontaneous ignition, nor accidental explosion, does not freeze, nor explode in ignition by flame, but can only be exploded by percussion caps, and when enclosed.

A REMARKABLE story of a burnt will, which in the spirit has come to life again, was told in the Court of Probate the other day. A lady named Stacey was in February 1888 residing at Devonport, in the house of her brother, a Mr. Henry Millward, and, in the presence of his wife, Mrs. Stacey made her will, dividing her property among some of her relatives. Mr. Henry Millward was not set down for a legacy; and his wife, after reading the will and discovering the omission, exclaimed to Mrs. Stacey, "You greedy thing; you have left my husband nothing!" Thereupon she gave the will a "screw," and threw it into the fire. Subsequently she became frightened at what she had done, and consulted a solicitor, who advised her to persuade Mrs. Stacey to execute another will. This she was reluctant, for some reason or other, to do; and in December 1888 she died. A statement of claim was, however put forth by ther esiduary legatee under the provisions of the burnt will. The person who had executed the will for Mrs. Stacey, and who, with another individual, had attested it, proved that Mrs. Stacey was in a proper mental condition to execute the will, and ultimately Mr. Justice Butt admitted to probate the contents of the incinerated testament as put forth in the statement of claim.

TELEGRAMS.

[CENTRAL NEWS TELEGRAMS.]

SIR WILLIAM WEDDERBURN AND THE BOMBAY CONGRESS.

LONDON, Dec. 6.*

Sir William Wedderburn was entertained at a luncheon at the National Liberal Club to-day by Mr. George Yule, prior to his departure for Bombay to preside at the Congress. Sir W. W. Hunter, Mr. Justice Birdwood, Sir Wilfrid Lawson, Sir J. B. Phear, Mr. W. S. Caine, M. P., and Mr. Justin McCarthy, M.P., and several native gentlemen were amongst the guests. Letters of apology were received from the Marquis of Ripon and Sir G. O. Trevelyan, M.P.

Several of the speakers referred in terms of commendation to Mr. Bradlaugh's Bill for the reconstitution of the Legislative Councils, and the support of all parties was claimed for the measure.

Mr. Yule referred to the state of the Stores Department of the India Office as a proof of the need that there is for reform. The accounts, he said, concealed spending which, he believed, amounted to five millions yearly, and he suspected that the Department was badly managed through being left at the mercy of underpaid managers.

These observations were received with cries of "Shame."

* Delayed in transmission.

DOM PEDRO'S ARRIVAL AT LISBON.

LONDON, Dec. 7.

Dom Pedro, the ex-Emperor of Brazil, has arrived at Lisbon. He seemed greatly affected.

During the voyage the Empress wept continuously. She hurt her hands when she was boarding the steamer.

There was an affecting meeting at Lisbon between the ex-Emperor and Empress, and members of the Portuguese Royal Family.

Dom Pedro has refused the pensions of the Government.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STRIKES OF GASWORKERS.

MANCHESTER IN DARKNESS.

LONDON, Dec. 6.

The men employed in the gas works of the Manchester and Salford Corporations have struck, owing to the employment of non-Unionists. In the meantime the supply of gas is failing.

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The South Metropolitan Gas Company are storing provisions and erecting lodgings inside the works for those men in their employ who refuse to join the strike, which begins on Friday next. Manchester was last night in a state of semi-darkness owing to the strike among gas-stokers.

A FRENCHMAN'S BEQUEST TO THE POPE.

LONDON, Dec. 7.

A Frenchman has bequeathed to the Pope a sum of £750,000 sterling.

THE TARIFF WAR BETWEEN FRANCE AND ITALY.

ROME, Dec. 6.

Signor Crispi, speaking in the Chamber to-day in support of the abolition of differential duties, said he hoped that it would contribute towards establishing friendly relations between Italy and France.

DEATH OF EX-PRESIDENT DAVIS.

Mr. Jefferson Davis, formerly the President of the Confederate States of America, is dead.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.

There is universal mourning in the Southern States for the late Mr. Jefferson Davis.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, Dec. 6.

Captain Plunkett, the Irish Magistrate, is dead.

THE SUPREME LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 8.

Mr. Robert Steel has been unable to accept his reappointment to the Legislative Council, as he is obliged to leave for England in February.

THE COMMISSIONER OF CHITTAGONG.

Mr. Lyall, Commissioner of Chittagong, is now in Calcutta, conferring with the authorities regarding the Lushai Expedition.

THE COMPTROLLERSHIP OF POSTAL ACCOUNTS.

The Comptrollership of Postal Accounts, which comes under the Comptroller-General from the 1st January, has been given to Mr. Sandell, Chief Superintendent of the Financial Department.

THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF TELEGRAPHS.

The succession to Colonel Mallock as Director-General of Telegraphs, is to go in the department. The appointment of Mr. Brooke, the Deputy Director-General to the post when vacant, was made known on Saturday.

THE ENGLISH CRICKET TEAM.

In the match the English Eleven *vs.* Colombo the former made 194 in their first innings, and the latter 103. The game was continued yesterday.

RUMOURED ATTEMPT TO ASSASSINATE THE HYDERABAD MINISTER DISCREDITED.

The plot to assassinate the Minister of Hyderabad has been discredited by the authorities. The arrested person is a Mahomedan police officer in the Nizam's service, and is declared by Dr. Lawrie to be a raving lunatic.

PROPOSED VISIT OF THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

The Duke of Connaught will perhaps shortly pay a visit to Lahore. Nothing, however, has yet been settled.

THE ENGINEER TO THE AMIR.

Mr. Pyne, Engineer to the Amir of Cabul, has arrived at Peshawar on three months' leave.

SIR CHARLES CROSTHWAITE.

Sir Charles Crosthwaite met with an enthusiastic reception on his return to Rangoon yesterday. Triumphal arches were erected all along the line of the route from the wharf to Government House.

PROPOSED ADDRESS TO MR. BRADLAUGH.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, Dec. 7.

At to-day's special meeting of the Poona Sarvajanik Sabha, most of the leading native citizens being present, congratulations were offered to Mr. Nulkar on his nomination to a seat in the Legislative Council. A draft of an address to be presented to Mr. Bradlaugh was also adopted.

STEAMER MOVEMENT.

HONGKONG, Dec. 7.

The A.-H. Lloyd's S. N. Co.'s s.s. Elektra, from Bombay, arrived here this morning.

COLOMBO, Dec. 8.

French mail steamer Melbourne, from China, arrived. Mail steamer Victoria, from Aden, arrived.

PRINCE ALBERT VICTOR'S TOUR.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

COURTALLUM, Dec. 7.

H. R. H. Prince Albert Victor and party left Colathoorpolay yesterday morning at 6-30. After *chota hazri* the Prince, accompanied by Mr. Hanyngton and Captain Harvey, was driven out by Mr. Ferguson in an open shooting carriage. They started for the Camp at Madathoraykani, nine miles distant. On their way they turned up Sennakullar-road, along which they drove a few miles. They expected to meet some elephants, but unable to find any fresh tracks they returned to the Camp at Madathoray for breakfast. Mr. Bensley, Captains Holford and Edwards, who followed in another carriage, found fresh tracks of elephants which they followed up. They saw a large tusker-elephant, but could not get a shot. About 2 p.m., news was brought in saying that two tuskers had been seen on Trevandrum Road. After tiffin the Prince, the Resident, and Captain Harvey started off at 2-45 p.m. after these tuskers. After going a few miles they came upon the animals, which they saw in a dense bamboo jungle, and got within a hundred yards of them. Attempts were made to dislodge the elephants from the jungle, but just then a sudden thunderstorm, accompanied by a heavy shower, came on, completely spoiling all chances of sport. It being considered dangerous to remain any longer in the thick jungle, the party returned to Camp about 7 o'clock this morning. The Prince, Mr. Hanyngton, and Captain Harvey, Messrs. Jones and Bensley, proceeded to Patnas over the grass-lands, about twenty miles off, where there were certainly bison and perhaps elephants. Several other gentlemen in Camp here went out few miles to look for elephants, but returned without seeing any.

PRESIDENCY RIFLE MEETING.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, Dec. 8.

The shooting on Saturday was quite up to the average. In some cases competition has been very keen. The atmospheric conditions have been favourable.

"The Kolhapur Cup"—Drummer Allum, Royal Fusiliers, the winner of the cup, scored 36 points; Private Annerean, Royal Fusiliers, 34 points; Private McDonagh, Dublin Fusiliers, 32 points; Sergeant Kitchen, Royal Lancaster, 31 points; Lance-Corporal Russell, Royal Fusiliers, 31 points; Sergeant McKenna, Lancashire Fusiliers, 30 points; Private Smith, Dublin Fusiliers, 30 points; Private Pocock, Royal Fusiliers, 29 points; Private Curran, Durham Light Infantry, 29 points; Private Taylor, Lancashire Fusiliers, 29 points; Private Scanlan, Lancashire Fusiliers, 29 points; and Corporal Hornsby, Durham Light Infantry, 28 points. Lieutenant Stack, 3rd Belooch Cavalry, counted out.

"The Nowanagar Stakes—" 300 yards, Jemadar Gungnak Krishnak, 19th Bo. Infantry, 33 points; Jemadar Shaik Hassan, Marine Battalion, 32 points; Naik Narayen Sawant, 26th Bombay Infantry, 31 points; Havildar Roopram Jugjar, 7th Bombay Infantry, 30 points; Havildar Shaik Abdul Cadur, 9th Bombay Infantry, 30 points; Lance-Naik Gungaram Gujar, 2nd P. W. O. Grenadiers, 30 points; Havildar Fuzuldin, 3rd Beloochis, 30 points; Soobadar Jowari Sing, 14th Bombay Infantry, 29 points; Havildar Crisnajee Cuddum, 9th Bombay Infantry, 29 points; Lance-Naik Hurmeter Srikur, 19th Bombay Infantry, 29 points. Twenty-one extra prizes were given in this contest.

For the "Civil Service Cup for Natives," the competition was most exciting. The Marine Battalion were first with 327 points. The 3rd Belooch Cavalry and the 9th Bombay Infantry tied with 321 points.

The competition for the "Governor's Prize" was not completed. Private McGann, North Lancaster Regiment, made a possible hit at 500 yards. Colour-Sergeant Murray, Poona Volunteers, scored 34 points.

In the "Commander-in-Chief's Prize" the competition also was not completed. Private Pocock obtained a possible hit at 500 yards.

CALCUTTA RACES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 8.

The Calcutta First Extra Race Meeting was held yesterday afternoon. The attendance was a large one, including Lord and Lady Lansdowne, Sir Steuart and Lady Bayley, and the Maharanee of Cooch Behar:—

First Race.—"Hurdle Race."—Value, Rs. 500.

Mr. John's Cavendish	1
Lord W. Beresford's Jim	2
Mr. Stephen's Owhiti	3

Second Race.—"Small Pony Plate."—Value, Rs. 500.

Mr. Moore's Light Wings	1
Hon. Mr. Moore's Silver King	2
Mr. Cook's The Brat	3

Twelve others also ran.

Third Race.—"Criterion Stakes."—Value, Rs. 500.

Messrs. Lindhurst and Date's Little Prince	1
Colonel Quinton's Cumberland	2
Hon. Mr. Moore's Jasper	3

Also ran two others.

Fourth Race.—"The Pony Plate."—Value Rs. 500.

Mr. Steven's Little Wonder	1
Mr. Moore's Sylvia	2
Mr. Gregory's Mignonette	3

Also ran eight others.

Fifth Race.—"The Club Cup."—Value, Rs. 500.

Mr. Ford's Vedette	1
Mr. Lawrence's Barrister	2
Mr. John's Glaieks	3

Ten others ran.

THE FORTHCOMING CONGRESS.

(FROM CORRESPONDENTS.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 7.

A meeting of citizens of the Southern Districts of Calcutta was held to-day at Bhowanipur, when a resolution was passed, electing seventeen delegates to the Congress; also conveying thanks to Mr. Bradlaugh for his services to India, and congratulating him on his recovery.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 7.

A meeting of the Northern Metropolitan electoral division was held at Albert Hall, to elect delegates for the National Congress. Hundreds had to leave for want of room. A hundred delegates were elected. Mr. Bradlaugh's draft bill was generally approved. Messrs. Kellycharan and Surendranath addressed the meeting.

BAREILLY, Dec. 7.

A meeting was held last evening, about 1,000 persons being present. Hakim Noorulhassan presided. Pandit Madanmohan Malvya delivered a speech explaining the scope of the Congress movement, and urging the necessity for reducing public burdens by a higher and more extensive employment of Indians under the Crown, also the curtailment of military expenditure. Four Mahomedans and nine Hindoos were elected delegates. The proceedings ended with hearty cheers for the Queen-Empress and Mr. Bradlaugh.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, Dec. 6.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed dull. Surats quiet but steady.

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The Manchester Market was quiet but steady.

7 lbs. Shirtings	5 1½
8¼ " "	6 4
40s Mule Twist	9½
Exchange on India, 30 days' sight	1s. 4 11-16d.
2¾ per cent. Consols for account	97¼
per cent. French Rentes	87½
4 per cent. Rupee paper	69
4½ per cent. "	72
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	107
Bar Silver	43⅜d. per oz.

LIVERPOOL WEEKLY COTTON REPORT.

Total Week's sales of Cotton	55,000	bales.
" " Surats	4,000	"
" " Import of Cotton	143,000	"
" " " Surats	4,000	"
" " Stock of Cotton	702,000	"
" " " Surats	123,000	"
" Stock of Cotton in London.	16,000	"

PRINCE ALBERT VICTOR'S TOUR.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

COURTALLUM, Dec. 3.

His Royal Highness and party left Bangalore on Sunday evening after dinner by special train in charge of Mr. Hanna, the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway Company, and Mr. L. S. Moss, the Traffic Manager, the departure being strictly private. The royal train overtook the ordinary mail at Jollarpet at about midnight, and from here it went in advance of the Mettapolliem mail by a few miles. Erode was reached at 6 o'clock on Monday morning (2nd instant). Leaving Erode at 6-15 a. m., the special arrived at Trichinopoly Junction for breakfast precisely at 10 o'clock. A guard-of-honour of one of the Native Regiments garrisoning that town, paraded in review order on the platform of the station with band and colours, and as the train steamed into the station, the guard presented arms and the band played the National Anthem. The Collector of the District, the District Judge, and other officials here met his Royal Highness, the station being prettily decorated. Having halted here for about an hour, the royal train proceeded on its way at 11 a.m., and reached Madura at about 3-15 p.m. A halt of about twenty minutes was made here for lunch, which was served in the train. The district officials were in attendance here, and a strong deputation of the leading citizens waited upon his Royal Highness with a numerously signed memorial, praying that his Royal Highness may be pleased to reconsider his decision regarding his visit to that celebrated town which in 1875 had the honour of entertaining his illustrious father's visit. The Prince was to have visited Madura on his return from the Travancore Hills, but in consequence of the appearance of cholera at that station, it was deemed advisable on medical grounds to strike Madura out of the Royal programme. It was reported that one of the servants at the house near the Teppakolam, where his Royal Highness was to have stayed, succumbed to that disease. However, it is just possible that his Royal Highness may halt for a couple of hours at Madura on his way back to Madras, to take a short drive through the town and to open the New Albert Bridge across the Vaigai River. The citizens of Madura had made elaborate preparations for the reception of the Prince, and their disappointment upon learning that his Royal Highness' visit to that place had been abandoned, has been very great indeed. A guard-of-honour of native infantry with band (from Trichinopoly) was in attendance on the platform.

Leaving Madura shortly after 3-30 p. m. the royal train arrived at Maniyachi Junction shortly after 6-30 p.m. Here the Collector of Tinnevelly, Mr. Trementeere, and Mr. J. D. Rees, who relieves Mr. Vincent on the Prince's Staff, met his Royal Highness, and accompanied him in the special to Tinnevelly which was reached at 7-15 p.m. I must not forget to mention that all the stations along the line were decorated with plantain trees and bunting, and police guards of honour were on the platform. Crowds of people collected along the route to catch a glimpse of the Royal visitor.

COURTALLUM, Dec. 4.

At Courtallum, which is in British territory, the Prince was a guest of the Maharajah of Travancore, and his Royal Highness will continue to be the Maharajah's guest until he returns to Tinnevelly, a week hence. A large number of private houses have been rented, and other small but neat temporary sheds have been erected for the accommodation of the large number of visitors to the town. The Travancore Government has sanctioned an expenditure of about Rs. 50,000 in connection with the Prince's reception, every detail being carefully attended to. The transit arrangements are under the personal supervision of Mr. Bruce Ferguson, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Travancore; Mr. J. C. Hanyngton, the Resident, has charge of the camp arrangements during the whole period, while to Mr. Bensley, Superintendent of Police, Travancore, has been entrusted the arduous task of finding and securing good sport for the Royal visitor. Each one of these gentlemen has worked very hard, the result being that everything is so well arranged that everybody is pleased. Of Courtallum itself we need give no detailed description. The scenery all around is strikingly picturesque and lovely, being a happy mixture of bold gneissic rocks and umbrageous woods. The one of the most interesting sights in the town is the magnificent waterfall which descends in a double cascade over a steep cliff. The water as it escapes from the Chitranadi, the principal tributary of the Tambrapani, which rises in the southern ghauts, passes over some picturesque boulders and then descends in a column over a sheer steep several hundred feet down, being broken midway, and there forms a double cascade. The illumination of these falls last evening were simply grand, the sight being one which is not easily forgotten by those who had the good fortune to witness it. The whole face of the huge rock was outlined with small oil butties, while at the summit of the falls and almost overhanging the drop, white, blue, and red lights were kept constantly burning, illumining the deeply shaded sholas around. The effect of the reflection of the lights upon the rippling waters was charming, and thousands of spectators assembled to gaze upon the lovely scene, the illumination continuing till long past midnight. Mrs. Hanyngton drove his Royal Highness and Captain Holford in her pony trap to view these illuminated falls, the rest of the party following upon foot. The Prince remained some considerable time here, and then drove round the town to view the general illuminations which were also very good. Several miles of roadway were made bright with rows of butties on both sides. The scene inside the Residency grounds was also very pretty. Two transparencies were shown in front of the house, one being the Royal coat-of-arms (British), and the other the Maharajah of Travancore's coat of arms (the two elephants supporting a couch on their uplifted trunks, with a Sanskrit motto below, which translated into English is "charity, our household divinity").

At 8-15 p.m. there was an official dinner at the Residency, at which all the Europeans in the stations were present. After dinner his Highness the Maharajah entered the banquet room with Mr. Rama Row, the Dewan, and took the seat provided for him on the right of the Prince, Mrs. Hanyngton being seated on his Royal Highness's left. After dessert the Maharajah proposed the health of the Queen, which was enthusiastically drunk by the company. His Highness then toasted the Royal guest of the evening, making a short and happy speech which I have already wired to you. His Royal Highness in reply thanked the Maharajah for the cordial welcome the latter had given him, and said that he would have much pleasure in conveying to her Majesty the Maharajah's expressions of loyalty and devotion. The display of fireworks which followed the dinner, on the lawn in front of the Residency was excellent and quite equalled anything I had seen before. What with Roman candles, bombs with coloured lights, rockets, St. Catherine's wheels, and a few set pieces, the combination was at once pleasing and majestic.

After early tea at the Residency this morning the Prince and party started out for the first shooting camp which is at Colathoorpolay, some twenty-four miles from Courtallum. A special transit dawk had been laid for the party over this distance; the Prince travelling with Mr. Hanyngton, and Captain Holford in the special carriage in which he had travelled up from Tinnevelly. Mr. Bruce Ferguson drove the Royal carriage, Mr. Browne's tongas being utilised by the rest of the party. Before starting out on this journey, the Prince called upon the Maharajah at his bungalow, and took leave of his Highness who returns to Travancore to-morrow. The Dewan will remain at Courtallum to receive the Prince on his return from the hills. Mr. Tremenheere, the Collector of Tinnevelly, did not accompany the Prince's party beyond Courtallum.

The Italian Government intend at once to take practical steps to realise Garibaldi's dream of making Rome a seaport. It is proposed to cut a ship canal, 88 metres wide and 10 metres deep from the Tiber, at a point just outside the city walls, to the sea at Castel Fusano, a distance of about eleven miles. The canal will probably be constructed by an American company, and the estimated cost is £2,750,000.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA RACES.

The Gymkhana Races last Saturday were a success in every sense of the term, and reflect great credit on the stewards, Colonel W. Merriman, Messrs. P. Benn, G. K. Remington, M. F. Reid, and J. F. H. Graham, and especially upon the new honorary secretary, Mr. Dallas Brooks. There were five events on the card, and all were well filled except the first, though when that came off it made up for mere paucity of entries by the splendid finish. Burma started favourite; but Sultana jumped off with the lead, and kept it till near home, when the bay caught her up. The mare again got a length ahead, was put on even terms with Burma a few feet from the post, and was beaten by a short head.

Amongst the five horses that faced the starter in the Waler Stakes, Carnarvon and Master Jack divided public fancy; but although the former fought gamely, she was not at all in it, and Mr. Taylor's fine animal romped in, winning as he pleased.

The Club Stakes proved a very unpleasant surprise to several. Ten started, with Aftab hot favourite, Mehlat coming next, a good way behind. They gave Mr. Remington some trouble, but were at last got away with a good start and kept well together till coming up the straight, when Acrobat came on, but was soon passed by Aftab, who was in turn caught up by Old Boots, the latter eventually winning by about two lengths. He was a rank outsider, and sold for Rs. 2 at the ordinaries! A lucky Boree who put his Rs. 5 on him at the totalisator, cleared Rs. 165 by the transaction as he took the only ticket on the horse.

Arbid and Lansdowne were most admired of the eight starters for the Hack Stakes, and justified the opinion of their backers, for except Golden Eye, ridden by that keen sportsman Mr. Symons, none of the others were in it. Arbid finally pulled off the race by a length.

Those on the course had an opportunity of seeing Mr. Spencer, as he ascended in his balloon, before the next race was run. From the Grand Stand he looked like a spider at the end of a long string, and when descending he was visible till within about three hundred feet from the ground.

The Flyaway Stakes were open to Arabs landed after the 1st September, and brought eleven horses to the post. After a couple of false starts the lot were got well away, and kept together till coming down the straight, when Victor and Gorfadar came away from the others finishing in a dead beat. An opportunity of running it off was offered the owners, but they elected to divide.

Considering the rival attraction at the Victoria Gardens there was a very fair attendance at the course. The Band of the Marine Battalion was in attendance, and played selections of music at intervals during the evening. A feature of the evening was the able manner in which Mr. Remington managed his fields. Starting large fields when professionals are riding is difficult enough in all conscience; but it is as child's play compared with the task when G. Rs. are to be handled. Details of the day's sport are appended.

First Race.—"The Buggy Stakes."—Rs. 49. For all *bona fide* carriage horses that have been driven regularly for at least three months, and that have never won a race of any description. A declaration to this effect from owners to accompany entry. Walers catch-weights over 12, Arabs and Country-breds over 11 stone. ½ mile.

Mr Stiven's b a h Burma, 11st, Mr. Graham	1
Mr H W B's blk w m Sultana, 12st, Mr Cobbold	2
Mr Parmenide's g a h Saltan, 11st, Mr Knight	3

Sultana jumped off with the lead, and kept it for about half the distance, the two others lying some distance behind. On coming up the straight Burma drew up, and headed the race. Mr. Cobbold put on a spurt, and again drew off from the bay, but was eventually beaten on the post by a short head.

Second Race.—"The Waler Stakes."—Rs. 49. For Walers that have never won a race of any description. Catch-weights over 12st. ¾ mile.

Mr Taylor's g w gel Master Jack, 12st, Mr Munro	1
Mr Brooks' b w gel Carnarvon, 12st, Owner	2
Mr H W B's blk w m Cinderella, 12st, Cobbold	3
Mr Bentinck's b w gel the Growler, 12st, Owner	0
Mr Heinrich's b w gel Dacoit, 12st, Mr Wehril	0

The lot got away with a good start, and kept in a clump for some time. Master Jack then took the lead, closely followed by Carnarvon, the others in a procession. The two leading horses kept their places to the end, the rest nowhere, Master Jack romping in hard held. Time 1 min. 39½ sec.

Third Race.—"The Club Stakes."—Rs. 99. For all galloways, 13·3 or under, that have never won a race of any description. 13-3 to carry 11 stone; W. I. ½ mile.

Mr Faulkner's ch a p Old Boots, 11st, Owner	1
Mr Prevost's b a p Aftab, 11st, Mr Graham	2
Mr Cobbold's g c b gel Acrobat, 11st, Captain North	3
Mr Measor's ch a p Alaska, 10st 13lb, Mr Lovell	0
Mr Gordon's en c b m Granite, 11st, Owner	0
Mr Steel's b a p Mehlat, 10st 8lb, Owner.	0
Captain Baxter's g a p The Sphinx, 11st, Owner	0
Mr Wilkin's ch c b p The Dean, 11st, Cobbold	0
Mr. Warden's g a p Good Idea, 10st 6lb, Owner	0
Mr Burder's b a p Moochol, 10st, 6lb, Mr Allen	0

After several false starts they went off pretty fairly. Acrobat took up the running, and looked like keeping it, but got blown, giving place to Acrobat. The country-bred, however, was nowhere, when the game little Arab Old Boots put on a spurt, winning as he liked.

Fourth Race.—"The Hack Stakes," Rs. 99.—For Arab and C.-B. horses that have never won a race of any description. Catch weight over 11 stone. 5 furlongs.

Mr Graham's ch a h Arbid, 11st, Owner	1
Mr Grant's b a h Lansdowne, 11st, Mr S Kiddle	2
Mr Symon's ch a h Golden Eye, 11st, Owner	3
Mr Bankier's b a g The General, 10st 7lb, Mr North.	0
Mr Todd's b a h Cabman, 11st, Mr Steel	0
Mr Keown's b a h the Baby, 11st, Owner	0
Mr Schofield's g a h Elmswood, late Grey Falconer, 11st, Owner	0
Mr Stiven's b a h Burma, 11st, Mr Munro	0

Golden Eye took up the running with Lansdowne close behind. The latter, however, would not be denied, and led the field for a good way. Coming up the straight Arbid began to show his quality, and though Mr. Kiddle fought gamely to the end, the chestnut pulled off the race by a length.

Fifth Race.—"The Flyaway Stakes," Rs. 49 (open). For Arabs landed after 1st September 1889. Catch-weights over 9 stone. 5 furlongs.

Mr Sulliman Dawood's b a h Victor, Ebraim..	Dead Heat.
Mr Shaik Essa Kirtass's ch a h Gorfardar, Nurjan	
Mr Ali Shonis's g a h Czar, Abdool W	3
Mr Ebraim Ahmed's g a h Timor, Rama	0
Mr S A W's b a h Ludha, Rowjee	0
Mr Hashiz Aga's g a h Soobyte, Syiz	0
Mr Ali Shrida's b a h Salami, Mahomed	0
Mr Joosuf Shoedani's b a h Samban, Shaidan	0
Mr Bin Coulmay's b a h Shambab, Jooasim	0
Mr Sala Junghi's b a h Ryce, Sala	0
Mr Sala Junghi's ch a h Hamid, Billi	0

It was getting dark when the lot were sent off. They kept together in a clump half way down the course, when the field divided, and gradually began to tail off. The event, however, from the beginning was between Victor and Goorfadar, and after an exciting race they finished in a dead heat, Czar a good third. The owners preferred dividing to running over again.

BANK OF BENGAL.

The following is the statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bengal for the week ending 3rd December as compared with the statement of the 26th November:—

	November 26.			December 3.		
Liabilities.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Capital paid up	2,00,00,000	0	0	2,00,00,000	0	0
Reserve Fund	58,00,000	0	0	58,00,000	0	0
Public Deposits, &c.	1,54,81,468	10	7	1,44,33,993	15	11
Other Deposits, &c.	3,52,56,316	5	6	3,74,78,738	11	11
Bank Post Bills, &c.	2,72,901	9	10	2,98,159	8	1
Sundries	14,01,667	8	3	14,07,818	0	9
Rs.	7,82,15,354	2	2	7,94,18,710	4	8
Assets.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Government Securities	21,88,456	0	0	26,58,833	8	0
Other authorized Invtmts	74,24,794	12	0	80,81,134	12	0
Loans on Govt. and other authorized Securities	1,15,55,114	6	0	1,06,95,744	14	5
Credits on do.	95,34,707	11	4	95,08,144	0	5
Bills discounted &c.	2,58,39,652	4	11	2,60,94,213	12	2
Balances with other Banks	11,67,999	11	8	11,62,902	1	5
Bullion	3,86,728	11	3	3,29,912	3	5
Dead Stock	12,40,120	7	3	12,43,505	3	3
Stamps	10,424	11	0	10,467	13	0
Sundries	1,14,609	15	8	1,32,233	15	2
Cash &c. at Head Office	91,27,834	1	11	85,81,274	8	11
Do. at Branches	96,25,897	5	2	1,09,20,313	8	6
Rs.	7,82,15,354	2	2	7,94,18,710	4	8

TREACHER AND COMPANY'S PREPARATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS.

The well-known firm of Messrs. Treacher and Co. have issued their revised Catalogue for 1890. On first seeing it one is apt to exclaim, "What a large book for a catalogue," but if the Company's Establishment is visited the exclamation would rather be, "How ever could all these things have been enumerated in one book!" The fact is the same admirable order and economy of space which cannot but strike a visitor to "Treacher's" have been applied to the compilation of the catalogue, the result being that it is the most perfect production of its kind extant. It is a volume of some 700 pages, tastefully bound in red and lettered in black and gold, and would not be out of place on the table of a well-appointed drawing room. It is not only ornamental but eminently useful, for between the two covers will be found anything any one may require from a safety pin to an iron bedstead with prices and qualities detailed.

The firm must have found to their cost that, as a rule, customers are the most perverse of mortals, and so must have determined to give them no possible chance of saying they could not find what they wanted. If one of these individuals wished to purchase a bedstead and in his usual way turned to A for information on the point, he would come across Air-beds, and if he turned to the page indicated he would either find what he wanted on a foot-note or the page would tell him where to turn to. Under B he would find beds, under C cots, under M mattresses, and under P pillows, which would all direct him to the particular kind of mattress, curtain, pillow, bedstead, counterpane, sheet, or night cap, he wanted. Of course an index of this complete kind must have entailed an immense amount of labour on the compiler, some idea of which may be gathered when it is mentioned that the index alone takes up sixty-six closely printed pages.

The catalogue begins with the wine department, and to anyone who has had the privilege of visiting the huge wine and spirit godowns of the company at Byculla it is not surprising that such prominence should be given to this branch of the trade. What must be the annual trade of a firm that is obliged to keep nine puncheons of whisky, seventy hogsheads of claret, and over six thousand dozens of bottled wines and spirits in stock in one of its three establishments! In the catalogue every kind of liquor that the ingenuity of man has invented is specified. The rich man will there find his particular brand of champagne or sherry, and the poor man will be able to select his whiskey, rum, or gin. Opposite each item will be found a line or two stating what might be expected of each liquor and these might be implicitly believed, for "Treacher" can well afford to be honest. From beverages to provisions is an easy transition and under this heading will be found all conceivable kinds of preserved meats and delicacies. There is the "prime York ham" for the Christmas dinner table or the tin of preserved peas ready to minister to the enjoyment of the tired shikaree in the lonely jungle. Fish as you please from anchovies to Yarmouth bloaters, and pickles and sauces from the plain white onion to Madras Cayenne sauce will be found. Then come the tobacconists' sundries, where will be found everything dear to the smokers' heart, be it in the shape of cigars, cigarettes, pipes, or tobaccos. Illustrations of almost every class of pipe in stock are given so that the mofussilite when ordering knows exactly what he is to get. The component parts of several kinds of "patent" pipes are thus illustrated, the simplest, cheapest, and best of which is the famous "Conqueror" pipe. Two years ago the writer laid out a modest thirty-six annas on one of these and it is the best investment of the kind he has made, for his "Conqueror" has never given him a moment's anxiety or trouble.

Under the heading of "hardware, ironmongery, cutlery, lamps and sundry household requisites," innumerable useful and beautiful articles are shown. There are atmospheric churns, warranted to make butter from sweet milk in from fifteen to twenty minutes, balances and weighing machines, bath tubs, iron bedsteads, and rupee boot jacks. Then come knives of various kinds from the table carver to the gem sporting knives which are small portable carpenter's chests. Here as elsewhere elaborate illustrations are given enabling people to order exactly what would suit them.

The firm are one of the largest importers of glass, china and crockery in the country, and consequently give particular attention to these articles in the catalogue. Sets of dinner services of exquisite patterns are given with the collective price of complete sets, and the detailed prices of component parts of the sets are also marked to enable purchasers to replace broken parts of any particular set. Beautifully finished coloured plates, illustrative of the different patterns, are given, and the only difficulty would be to be able to make up one's mind as to which of the several beautiful designs to choose. The ivy entwine, almonds and birds, and bloom and birds are the prettiest of the several dinner services mentioned. The variety of design of the dessert services are bewildering and the beauty of the illustrations are only excelled by the articles themselves. A very complete list of glassware is also shown, and coloured plates of some of the flower holders are given. Several of these are so beautiful in design and delicate in colouring that they might well be termed fairy dreams in glass.

Messrs. Treacher are hatters too, and from the catalogue it will be seen that anything from the "hard round crown" to the "regulation" helmet or the latest thing in sun topees may be had from them. The firm do not profess to be tailors and outfitters (though it would be nothing surprising if that branch also were added to the business shortly) but customers may procure anything from them in the clothing line short of a suit of clothes.

The sporting man who needs a saddle, a dog whip, or a set of harness need not go elsewhere to have his wants supplied. The catalogue will enable him, with the aid of its profuse illustrations and descriptive notes, to choose whatever he may want on the course or in the hunting-field. The cricketer will there find bats, balls, and all the paraphernalia of the games set out before him in tempting array with the truthful and instructive notes, that have gone so far as to win the public confidence, to guide him in his selection. Golfers, gymnasts, and tennis-players have but to turn to the book to find out the cost of supplying their needs; and the shikari, if he wishes it, may lead a sybarite existence in a howling Indian wilderness if he provides himself with the camp adjuncts kept in stock by Treacher. Old Izaak Walton's heart would have been gladdened could he but have turned over the twelve pages of the catalogue which deal fishing tackle, and he would no doubt have opened his eyes wide with wonder at the immense advance in ingenuity displayed in tempting the finny tribe from the deep since his time. A great variety of the best guns and ammunition also are kept in stock and everything required by the shikari or volunteer may be procured.

Several pages of the catalogue deal with electro-plated ware, and as an artistic engraving is given of almost every article mentioned it is not necessary to see it before ordering. Some of the prize cups, and ice water sets are beautiful in the extreme, and it would be well if Commandants of Volunteers and others, who give prizes for shooting &c., were to look through Treacher's list before going elsewhere.

Anything in the shape of gold and silver jewelery may be procured here also. Great pains have evidently been taken to secure the latest patterns, and the prices appear to be very reasonable. Here too the elaborate engravings and descriptive notes obviate the necessity of seeing the articles before ordering. It would have been thought that the last catalogue was as complete as it could have been; but the firm did not think so, and have made several additions to the present one, the most noticeable of these being a beautifully coloured plate of gold rings set with stones. If husbands wish to have peace for the next year it would be advisable for them to secure all available copies of the catalogue and surreptitiously remove this coloured plate.

The artist, photographer, or scientific man, too, may have all their wants supplied by this firm, who are general merchants indeed, for everything and anything that can be bought and sold will be found mentioned in this catalogue for 1890.

THE PARACHUTE DESCENT AT BYCULLA.

Upon two previous occasions Mr. Spencer, the æronaut, has made a parachute descent in the City of Bombay, and on Saturday, those interested in æronautics had the pleasure of witnessing a third performance, this time at Byculla, by the only person who has as yet made any attempt in India at this clever and daring experiment, which to the uninitiated appears so fraught with danger. Although the descent was not advertised to take place until 5 p.m., early in the day vast crowds of people lined most of the thoroughfares leading to the open ground, some little distance beyond the Victoria Gardens, where, before one actually entered, one occasionally caught glimpses above the palisading which surrounded the enclosure of a great heaving mass of yellow silk, which indicated that the balloon that was about to convey the daring performer into space was already partly inflated.

It was observed, with regret, that, although ample accommodation had been provided for spectators by Mr. Spencer, upwards of fifty thousand people must have been collected upon the neighbouring house-tops, and in the surrounding roads; though they could not have observed much of what took place, or anything at all of the preparations for flight. A large number of these people belonged to the better classes, and it seemed rather hard for Mr. Spencer to spend money, time, and trouble, and even risk his life to amuse the public and be grudged the few annas for admission. The enclosure, from the centre of which Mr. Spencer eventually rose, was however fairly well filled, and many were the curious enquirers who surrounded the æronaut, demanding answers to all kinds of impossible questions.

Gradually the great globe of the balloon, which had been rolling to and fro, began to rise, with the pressure from the gas, and to assume more shapely proportions; at 4-45 Mr. Spencer sent up a pilot baloon, in order to ascertain the direction of the currents of wind that would be likely to set upon his balloon, in its ascent. There was a steady breeze, with a general direction towards the South-East. At last the great bag of silk was filled, and then the enclosure became a scene of much activity as the parachute was made ready, and attached to the side of the balloon. It seemed a sort of thing that those unversed in the mysteries of travelling in the air, would be leath to trust their lives to. It was a great round piece of silk, twenty-five feet in diameter, looking very much like the cover of a white umbrella; and to the places where the ends of the ribs ought to have been were attached a number of cords about forty feet in length meeting below, and fastened round a ring, to which the æronaut would cling in his descent.

All being ready and Mr. Spencer having taken his seat on the loop and shouted "Let go" with a cheer from the spectators, the balloon shot upwards. The ascent was a most rapid one, but the few moments it took were moments of breathless expectation. When a thousand feet were reached Mr. Spencer disengaged himself and his parachute from the balloon, and came flying downwards. One could not help feeling a certain amount of fear for him; it seemed as if nothing could prevent his being dashed to pieces upon the ground below. But all was well. When he had descended at a headlong pace for about 200 feet, the parachute changed its shape. From a long piece of folded silk it suddenly opened, the pace of the descent was slackened, and the performer sailed down slowly and gracefully to the earth, some 500 yards from the enclosure.

All waited in expectation for some moments, but presently an agitation amongst the crowd showed that the hero of the day was approaching, and many were the congratulations he received when he appeared followed by the parachute, which was being borne with reverence and awe, by a number of natives, who evidently connected the whole affair with the supernatural forces.

Mr. Spencer, in the course of a speech which he delivered to the spectators, thanked them warmly for their support, saying that he hoped upon some future occasion to have the pleasure of putting before the people of Bombay an ærial performance of some other kind. As he concluded his remarks, all eyes were turned towards the balloon. When Mr. Spencer had taken his "leap from the clouds," he had pulled the line, which connected with the valve used for emptying the globe; and the great ball of silk, which had been drifting aimlessly along, and had now managed to reach a height of something like 7,000 feet, was losing its shape, as the gas escaped, and was falling swiftly to the earth. It went in a southerly direction, and was picked up near the Fort.

Mr. Spencer had, it will be remembered, made two previous parachute descents in Bombay; and possesses a handsome gold medal, which was presented to him at the beginning of the present year upon the accomplishment of the first feat with a parachute that had ever taken place in India. It is understood that the æronaut will go from this to Poona, very shortly, to repeat this skilful performance there; and thence to Madras, taking Hyderabad *en route*. In leaving here, he will carry away with him the good wishes of all who are interested in æronautic science: and all who remember what useful and interesting discoveries the researches of those who navigate the air have led to, will, no doubt, join in wishing him a pleasant and a successful tour.

DEATH OF MR. GEORGE TAYLOR.

We regret to state that news have been received of the death on Saturday last, at an outstation—we believe Nassik—of Mr George Taylor, barrister-at-law. About a quarter of a century ago, Mr. Taylor, who then speculated largely in shares, was in very affluent circumstances, and was believed to be worth several lakhs of rupees. He was then a prominent member of Bombay society, and was connected with several of our local public institutions, to the support of which he contributed freely. Mr. Taylor was a man of a generous disposition and an unassuming nature, and was very popular, in the days of his prosperity, among a large circle of friends and acquaintances: and we have no doubt his death will be deplored by all who knew him.

Mr. Taylor was the oldest barrister in Bombay since the death of Mr. Thomas Chisholm Anstey; and was senior even to Mr. Sergeant Atkinson, the oldest member of Bombay bar now living. Mr. Taylor was called to the bar on the 22nd November 1839, ten months later than Mr. Anstey and about six months in advance of Mr. Serjeant Atkinson. On his first arrival in this country, Mr. Taylor took up practice in Calcutta, but after a few years came over to Bombay about 1854, when the whole strength of the Supreme Court Bar was limited to about half a dozen members, among whom were Messrs. Le Messurier, Advocate-General, William Howard, Dickinson, W. Crawford, T. L. Jenkins, Holland, &c. Mr. Taylor was a fluent, occasionally an eloquent, speaker, and was generally engaged on behalf of the defence in criminal cases. In 1855, defalcations to the extent of some three lakhs of rupees were discovered in the Government Treasury at Aden by Mr. A. D. Robertson, then Chief Secretary to the Bombay Government, and others, who went to Aden and personally conducted an investigation into its affairs. The result was that Captain Haines, the Political Agent at Aden, was committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions of the Supreme Court of Bombay on charges of criminal misappropriation, &c. Sir William Yardley, the Chief Justice, who was a personal friend of Captain Haines, declined to preside at the trial from scruples of conscience, and the trial, therefore, came on before Sir Charles Jackson, Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court, and a jury. Mr. Taylor was engaged to defend Captain Haines in two separate cases of defalcation; and the acquittal and discharge of the accused in both cases, which were conducted for the Crown by such able lawyers as Mr. Le Messurier, Advocate-General, and Mr. William Howard, Remembrancer for Legal Affairs, were credited to the able defence made on behalf of the accused by Mr. Taylor. For several subsequent years, Mr. Taylor enjoyed a large and lucrative practice at the bar of the Supreme Court of Bombay, the other members of which at the time were Messrs. A. J. Lewis Advocate-General, Mr. (afterwards Sir Michael Westropp, J. J. Lowndes, J. S. White (afterwards a Judge of the Calcutta High Court), R. B. Barton, R. T. Reid, L. H. Bayley, &c. Shortly before the constitution of the High Court in 1862, Mr. Taylor was appointed by Sir Mathew Sausse, the Chief Justice, to succeed Mr. T. L. Jenkins as Master in Equity, Equity Registrar, and Taxing Officer, and conducted for nearly four years the duties of the office, which afterwards was known as that of the Commissioner for Taking Accounts and Local Investigation, and Taxing Officer.

During the cotton crisis and the American War, when wealth poured unexpectedly into Bombay, and almost fabulous fortunes were made by many men, Mr. Taylor plunged into speculation and was one of the promoters of the Mazagon Land and Reclamation and other joint-stock companies. He also dealt largely in shares in partnership with Dr. Thomas Diver, Mr. Atmaram Madhowjee, and one or two others, and having made a fortune for a time, lost it all subsequently when the share mania collapsed and brought on insolvency and financial distress in Bombay. Towards the end of 1865, Mr. Taylor had to resign the office of Master in Equity and was succeeded by Mr. C. E. Fox. In subsequent years, he reverted to practice at the Bombay bar, but never more regained his lost position as an advocate. For some years past he had got out of practice entirely; and resided at Nassik and other outstations until his death.

Mr. Taylor was a high Mason, and for about four years held the office of District Grand Master of Bombay, the office now held by H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught. In 1861, we find him presiding as Master of Lodge St. George, the most influential Lodge under the English Constitution; and in the following year as Provincial Grand Master of Lodges working under the Grand Lodge of England. Later on, on the retirement of Mr. H. D. Cartwright, the appointment of District Grand Master was conferred upon Mr. Taylor, who conducted its duties until the year 1870, when he was succeeded by the Hon. Mr. James Gibbs, afterwards Member of the Executive Council at Bombay, and later on of the Viceroy's Council. Mr. Gibbs, like a true Mason that he was, befriended Mr. Taylor in his latter days; and it was, we believe, owing to his influence that Mr. Taylor was appointed Sheriff of Bombay in 1874.

THE WESTERN INDIA SPINNING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

The ninth ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the company was held on Saturday, at the registered office, Hummum Street, Mr. Damodhardas Thackersey Mooljee, chairman of the board of directors, presiding. The following report of the directors was submitted:—Since we had the pleasure of meeting you last year, an accident to the fly-wheel of the engine of your mill, took place on the 2nd November 1888, and it entirely broke down. Due notice of this mishap was given to you by a circular on the 26th November 1888, in which your directors had stated that they intended to replace the wheel by a rope-pulley. Taking advantage of the stoppage of the mill, your directors have made improvements in the spinning and weaving departments; in fact, they have thoroughly overhauled the mill. The wheel-gearing arrangements, which gave much trouble, have been replaced by rope pullies. All these changes necessarily took time, and your mill had to be stopped from working for about 5½ months. From the annexed audited accounts you will see that for the 6½ months, during which the mill worked, it has made a profit of Rs. 35,687-12-6. During the period of 5½ months in which your mill was closed for work, the directors took advantage to "reset" the whole of the machinery from the blow-room down to the reeling department. To do this the heavy item of expenditure incurred was on account of labour, wages, and purchase of materials for resetting; other charges were inevitably incurred on account of interest, insurance, rent, taxes, and sundry other charges, the aggregate amounting to Rs. 72,019-11-9. Against this amount your directors have resolved to write off the amount of Rs. 35,687-12-6 shown as profit on the other side, leaving Rs. 36,331-15-3 as loss to be dealt with hereafter. The total cost of replacing the fly-wheel by rope pulley, and other improvements made in the engine, amounts to Rs. 65,620-1-6, which your directors have carried to the head of 'fly wheel breakage and replacement of rope pulley' account, as is shown in the balance sheet. We reported last year that we have leased out 6,600 square yards of land. During the year, about 4,400 square yards additional are leased out to different parties at the same rate as mentioned last year, namely, six annas per square yard per annum. The annual rental produced for about 11,000 square yards is about Rs. 4,000. Out of the several leases into which your company has entered, two leases containing 2,364 square yards are sold out for the sum of Rs. 14,250, based on 6 per cent. per annum interest. Your directors beg leave to state that by making this alteration in the driving arrangement in the engine, all the improvements in the mill are now complete; and they are happy to be able to state that the production has now increased, and the mill is working satisfactorily. Your company's property, including building, machinery, and contents, is insured for the sum of Rs. 9,90,000, and cotton, yarn, piece-goods, stores, &c., for Rs. 4,20,000. Messrs Vundravandas Purshotamdas and Ramjee Lukhmidass retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election.

The chairman, in answer to a question put by a shareholder, said he was glad to assure the shareholders that the mill was working satisfactorily, and that the production had increased according to the expectation of the directors.

The directors' report and audited accounts were approved, adopted, and confirmed. Messrs. Vundravandas Purshotumdas and Ramjee Lakhmidas, who retired by rotation, were re-elected directors. Messrs. Framjee Temooljee and Ruttonjee Jamsetjee Fardoonjee Parakh were appointed auditors at a remuneration of Rs. 200 each. The proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

DAILY EXPORTS.—December 7.

For Liverpool.

Merton Hall s—61 bales cotton, H Luckmichund; 61 bales wool, Benn Ashley and Co; 715 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers; 139 bales wool, David Sassoon and Co; 2000 cwts wheat, G Vulubdass, 10 cases Indian condiments, M Poonji and Sons.

Lancashire s—4,000 cwts wheat, Killick Nixon and Co.

For Glasgow

Armenia s—10 bales twist, C Macdonald and Co;

For Dunkirk.

Algoma s—100 bales cotton, Durst and Co; 1000 cwts linseed, Killick Nixon and Co; 200 bales cotton Geo Lockhart and Co; 1999½ cwts rapeseed, Tod Durant and Co; 2001 cwts gingellyseed, J C Bushby and Co;

Cuba s—250 cwts rapeseed, L Nupoo

For Marseilles.

Armenia s—499 cwts groundnuts, Ralli Brothers.

For Havre.

Labourdonnais s—421 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers.

For Antwerp.

Badsworth s—500 cwts wheat, Ralli Brothers; 415 bales cotton, Volkart Brothers; 100 bales cotton, J C Bushby and Co; 200 bales cotton, E D Sassoon and Co; 300 bales cotton, Gaddum Bythell and Co; 310 bales cotton, Ritchie Steuart and Co.

From Hull.

Apollo s—14 bales wool, Volkart Brothers; 1,031¼ cwts myrabollams, Vocijee Hunraj; 2,000 cwts wheat, John L Kerston.

For Hongkong.

Teheran s—74 bales cotton, G Cassiram; 150 cwts sharkfins, V Poonji and Co; 225½ cwts gum, and 20 cwts cloves, V Assoomull.

For Shanghai.

Bermida s—50 bales twist, C Macdonald and Co.

For Kobe.

Teheran s—261 bales twist, Finlay Muir and Co.

For Yokohama.

Teheran s—225 bales twist, Finlay Muir and Co.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER REPORT.

Simla, Dec. 8.—The barometric rise noticed yesterday has not been maintained. Pressure is now falling, except in the Berars, Mysore, and Ceylon, the fall being greatest in the North-West Provinces and East Punjab, but readings continue highest in the north-west of India, and lowest over the Bay. Wind currents are generally unaltered, but winds show a tendency to veer northeastward in Ceylon. The mean temperature is above the average, except in Burma, the weather being very cloudy, and at Assam slightly cloudy. The south of the Peninsula reports half an inch of rain, as also Colombo and Negapatam, and a few drops at Trevandrum. A slight easing in the wind in Ceylon is favourable as it may lead to further rain along the Coromandel Coast.

THE *RAST GOFTAR* DEFAMATION CASE.

The case in which Mr. Framji Cowasjee Mehta, editor and proprietor of the *Kaiser-i-Hind*, charges Messrs. Kaikhosroo Nowroji Kabraji, and Merwanji Furdonji Marzban, the editor and proprietor of the *Rast Goftar* with defamation, came on for hearing again before Mr. Cooper at the Esplanade Police Court on Saturday.

The cross-examination of complainant's witnesses was commenced by counsel for the defence.

Mr. Pherozshah Mehta, counsel for complainant, first called upon the accused to produce the manuscripts of the alleged defamatory letters which appeared in the *Rast Goftar*. It will be remembered he had asked the printer to produce them but could not.

Mr. Jardine: I do not produce any manuscripts. I do not think it is usual to produce manuscripts.

Mr. Pherozshah: I suppose Mr. Vickajee gives the same answer?

Mr. Vickajee: Ditto.

Mr. Framji Dinshaw Petit cross-examined by Mr. Jardine—

Mr. Jardine: Your community was a good deal agitated by some passage in Mr. Ommanney's note?—Yes; some of them were.

I suppose you did not think strong feeling was excited in the whole of the Parsee community?—Not amongst the whole of them.

Then, I suppose Sir Dinshaw's statement in the letter is incorrect?—In what respect?

The statement that strong feeling has been excited in the whole of the Parsee community? You do not agree with that?—No.

And who drafted that letter of Sir Dinshaw's?—Am I bound to answer that question?

Do not incriminate anybody with it?—It was drafted by Mr. P. M. Mehta.

Well, there was a general desire in the Parsee community to have a public meeting to protest against the note of Mr. Ommanney?—Not a general desire.

The requisition was signed by about a hundred Parsees?—I do not know how many hundreds or thousands.

Oh, it did amount to thousands, did it?—I do not know.

You tried to get up a counter-requisition?—Yes.

You asked Mr. Framjee, the complainant, to get signatures to this requisition?—Yes; I sent word to him.

He was the only man who got signatures?—Yes, he only got signatures.

After receiving the communication from Sir Dinshaw Petit you supported the meeting, did not you?—No; I did not support anything.

Continuing, witness said he did not attend the meeting, and many leading Parsees were absent.

Re-examined by Mr. Pherozshah Mehta—It was in consequence of the communication from Sir Dinshaw and the interview with Mr. Darashah Chichgar, that the counter-requisition was given up.

You were asked if there were about a dozen or so signatures to the counter-requisition. Had the complainant time to make any serious attempt to obtain signatures?—No; he had not time.

You have said complainant was the only one who tried to get signatures?—Yes.

Have you any knowledge that he was the only one?—No, I did not see him.

So far as you know, you do not know he was the only one?—I have heard he sent a copy of the requisition to his father's office to obtain signatures.

Do you know anything further about the complainant receiving signatures?—No; I do not know anything further about it.

Mr. Framjee Cowasjee Mehta, the complainant, cross-examined by Mr. Jardine: You say you have been defamed?—Yes.

Have you suffered in any one's estimation?—In the estimation of the public.

Of any one in particular?—I cannot say that.

But you think you are thought worse of than before by the public generally?—I think so.

Has your newspaper suffered?—How can I say so if I had not brought this action, I cannot say in this short time.

But you confidently expect it will?—If I had not taken this action it would have suffered.

And you think this inquiry will increase the circulation of your paper?—Not at all.

But prevent its diminishing?—That I cannot say at this point of the case.

Now to come to the defamation. You say you are the certain editor of a newspaper in that letter?—Yes.

How do you get the cap to fit?—Because mine was the paper against the requisition.

Mr Framji was next asked to read the letter, which he did in Gujerati, and gave in reply to Mr. Jardine the words for committing a breach of the peace.

Do you say, asked Mr. Jardine continuing, that that word contains the charge of intent to commit breach of peace?—I am not an English scholar. Mr. Jardine might catch me up in that word.

You know what a breach of the peace is?—It says that I instigated a certain person to commit a breach of the peace.

Do you say these words contain to your mind a charge of an intention to commit a breach of the peace;—to disturb the harmony of the meeting?—In order to disturb the harmony of the meeting I instigated a schoolmaster to commit a breach of the peace. That is the meaning I put on it.

What breach of the peace were you going to commit?—That is what the letter said; it is false.

But what breach of the peace?—How should I know?

I think you approved of the counter-requisition?—I did not.

Then perhaps you approved of the requisition?—No; I was bitterly against it. I disapproved of the requisition because the demands in it were stupid and foolish, and of the counter-requisition because it was too late.

You recommended Parsees to attend the meeting?—After the requisition was modified.

Is that all you were defamed in?—The word *Gurgin*.

You think that is defamatory?—Highly defamatory.

It is not a word you would use in your own paper about anybody?—Yes, I would if the man had done such acts as *Gurgin* did.

What acts?—A man saying one thing, and then changing.

Mr. Pherozshah: Really this is not fair. It is difficult for Mr. Framji to answer such questions in English. He requires an interpreter.

Mr. Framji: I think I should have an interpreter.

Mr. Jardine: Do you object to be cross-examined in English?

Mr. Framji: Why should I object?

Mr. Jardine: Then we will go on in English.

Mr. Pherozshah: No; it is not fair. His knowledge of English is not such that he can explain himself as he wants.

Mr. Jardine: I think it is an injustice to Mr. Framji to say that his knowledge of English is defective.

Mr. Pherozshah: It is my duty to see that justice is done to the complainant.

The case was then adjourned to noon of Monday, the 16th current.

HONGKONG INDIAN YARN MARKET.

Mr. J. Jamsetjee sends the following statement regarding the state of market in Hongkong between 6th and 19th November:—

Our market of Indian yarn during the interval since our last report, has remained depressed and dull owing to scarcity of money among the dealers, and absence of demand from the interior, where the country people are at present engaged in harvest work. On the other hand, with the continued large arrivals and increasing stocks, combined with the high rates of exchange ruling at present, holders have been showing more disposition to realise, and are freely meeting lower offers. A limited business has been done during the fortnight, and prices generally show a decline of fifty cents to a dollar per bale. With a further decline of 25 to 75 cents per bale, only a small business has been done in a few desirable chops of No. 20s. Other descriptions are neglected and unsaleable. A very insignificant business has been done in No. 16s, and prices have receded 50 to 75 cents per bale. The demand runs only upon two or three favourite tickets. Some lots of desirable threads of No. 12s, have been taken up at a concession of 50 cents per bale on previous rates. A moderate business has resulted in superior and suitable threads of No. 10s at a decline of 25 to 75 cents per bale in previous rates, and the market closes steady for such qualities. Nos 6s and 8s are still in good demand, and all fresh arrivals have been taken up at previous high rates. Nos. 14s and 18s are not inquired for. For Nos. 22s, 24s, and 30s, there is a little inquiry for superior grades at cheap rates. During the fortnight arrival 9,572 bales, sales 5,717 bales. Shipment to coast ports, 328 bales; and unsold stock 22,376 bales. Direct shipment for Japan 2,300 bales, and Shanghai 2,525 bales. In Shanghai and Japan and at the coast ports the markets have remained inactive, and prices have declined, owing to accumulation of stocks, scarcity of money, and absence of demand, the country people being engaged in harvest work.

PRACTICAL MUSKETRY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—I have read with deep interest a book by "Marksman" on "Practical Musketry" or "How to improve shooting in the ranks," and I must say I cannot agree with "Marksman" as to the chief causes which militate against good shooting in the British Army.

(1.) As regards the abolition of the appointment of Regimental Instructor of Musketry which "Marksman" regrets so much, I think this abolition was a most excellent thing, as I see no reason why the British public should be called upon to pay an officer to do the work of the Officer Commanding the Company.

(2.) As regards the training of the recruit which "Marksman" thinks is unsatisfactory, I beg to point out that there is an Assistant Adjutant in all regiments and battalions at home stations (and also at depots when specially sanctioned on account of the large number of recruits requiring training) to assist the Adjutant, especially in the musketry training of the young officers and recruits, and the officer appointed to be an Assistant Adjutant must hold a School of Musketry Extra Certificate; hence I venture to think that the present system is quite satisfactory.

(3.) As regards the Figure Targets which "Marksman" does not approve of, they were introduced as it was thought desirable that the soldier should shoot at a "Figure" of some kind in preference to shooting at a piece of iron which represented "nothing," and I maintain that these Figure Targets have done a great deal to improve practical shooting in the Army, judging from the better "figure of merits" obtained at the present time by many Battalions.

(4.) As regards the long interval that intervenes between the Annual Courses which he also condemns, this is true as regards the "Individual Practices," and I am truly glad that such is the case, as the men would not care to go through what some of them call the Annual *Curse* all the year round, therefore in every kind of weather. But as long intervals now intervene when the time does arrive for the commencement of the course, the men take a keen interest in it, as it is a welcome change from the ordinary daily life of a soldier. But it should not be forgotten that Field Practice takes place "all the year round" in order that the musketry efficiency of the soldier should be kept up.

(5.) As regards the number of rounds fired each year *not* being sufficient to thoroughly *train* a soldier and keep him *familiarized with shooting*, I cannot concur in this view of "Marksman." But of course it would be desirable to *increase* the number of rounds to be fired every year by the trained soldier in order to *improve* his shooting. But the question of "finance" must be considered by the Rt. Hon. the Secretary of State for War, but I feel convinced that if much money was required for this purpose the "Bill" would be paid without much trouble, but it would have to be plainly explained that the present amount is not large enough.

(6.) As regards the Company Officers not shooting through the Target Practice of the Annual Course with their companies, this was the order some twenty-three years ago, but it was cancelled as some Officers Commanding Battalions pointed out that if an officer missed hitting the target through any cause "whatever" the fact of his shooting did more harm than good. It must also be remembered that some company officers are about forty-three years of age, stout in figure and obliged to wear spectacles, and I cannot imagine anything more opposed to discipline than for the men to see an old Major doing his level best to sit on his knee which perhaps he has never seen for many years, and having accomplished this very difficult feat, he proceeds to put on his spectacles in order to see the foresight of his rifle, and having managed to do this with some difficulty he takes most likely a most accurate aim at the Marker's Butt, and if he is not a little deaf, which is most probable, he is somewhat surprised if "Hit" is not signalled and he orders the "Cease Fire" to sound and the Markers proceed to examine the target after which the subaltern in charge of the Butt has to inform him without a *smile* (otherwise he would not perhaps obtain his privilege leave) that his superior officer has hit the Marker's Butt, and further probably that one of the splinters from the bullet has damaged the Marker's eye who requests a court of enquiry may be assembled in order that he may obtain an extra pension for life from the British public.

(7). "Marksman" seems to think that "Short Service" has not improved shooting in the Army. But I maintain that it has, and if he will very kindly compare the figure of merit of battalions composed of long service soldiers and those composed of short service soldiers I think he will find this proved clearly enough. And I am convinced that if a short service soldier is strong enough to resist the kick of the rifle as his power of vision is in its prime he can generally shoot better than a large number of long service soldiers who are broken down in health by many years of foreign service, and their power of vision does not improve like port wine by old age.

(8.) As regards the young and inexperienced Non-Commissioned Officers, I hold the view that the better a man is educated the better he understands the theory of musketry, and there is no question I think that the men who enlist in the Army now are better educated than in former years, and I see no reason myself why a young Non-Commissioned Officer, if he has good eyesight and is of fair physique, should not be able to shoot and carry out any orders that may be given him.

(9.) According to page 74 of the Regulations for Musketry Instruction of 1887 in Aiming Drill at the first distances, a recruit is taught to aim at a bull's-eye to teach exactitude of aim, and according to page 119 of the same book for *recruits* the bull's-eye of the third class target is white, and therefore it appears to me that the regulations on this subject are most excellent as a recruit fires at a bull's-eye and the trained soldier, at a figure *when* he is duly qualified to do so.

(10.) I am much afraid that this letter is too long, but the importance of this subject cannot, I think, be over-estimated, hence I trust that if you will have the goodness to publish this letter some of the readers of your valuable paper may be induced to forward their views as regards this subject, which the public generally take a great interest in judging from the way they subscribe to the various rifle meetings held at Poona and elsewhere.—Yours, &c.,

Dec. 7. A STOUT FIELD OFFICER.

THE MASSACRE OF THE INNOCENTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—The result of the LL.B. Examination of late years has been anything but encouraging. Some of the very bright students, who never once met with failure in their previous University examinations, are being ruthlessly plucked in the LL.B. more than once. In spite of close application and hard study many an unfortunate student is utterly foiled in his endeavours, has to spend two, three or even more years, and has to waste almost all his energies before he is declared fit for the degree of LL.B. Will not the University authorities see to this, and think it worth their while to stop this cruel undeserved 'slaughter'? I will not take up much of your space, but will only touch one or two points. On the subject of contract, we are asked to read some three or four books, and instead of sticking to these, the examiner at the last examination was pleased to set us questions drawn, it would be difficult to tell, from what books. The course of study is so very extensive that we have hardly time enough to go through all the prescribed books; and in the face of this, do the examiners expect us to read and study also extra books? If so, it will be almost impossible for us to satisfy the peculiar fancy of the examiners, and it will be but fair if the University, instead of prescribing particular books, were to say, "candidates for the LL.B. are expected to read on the different subjects of study every book that they can possibly lay their hands upon." When this is done, the candidates will clearly see the folly, nay the madness, of appearing for the examination at all.

One more instance, and I have done. Last year the questions on tort were drawn from "Pollock," a book unheard-of by most of us. Seeing this, many of the candidates this year procure the book, read it over and over again very carefully; and what is their disappointment! Not one question is asked from that book, although the examiner on the subject was one and the same gentleman!

I plead on behalf of the unfortunate students, to whom injustice and incalculable mischief is being done from time to time.—Yours, &c.

Bombay, 7th Dec. X. Y. Z.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

SATURDAY NIGHT, Dec. 7.

10 p.m.	73·6

SUNDAY, Dec. 8.

6 a.m.	70·9
10 a.m.	76·5
2 p.m.	83·1
4 p.m.	81·4

MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITTEE.

An adjourned special meeting of the Standing Committee of the Corporation was held on Saturday, when there were present:—Dr. Blaney, chairman, Colonel Merewether, R.E, Messrs. Javerilal Umiashanker, K. M. Shroff, Fazulbhoy Visram, and Cowasjee Hormusjee.

VICTORIA GARDENS AND MUSEUM.

The Commissioner in his statement on the above head said:—The salary of the appointment of the Superintendent of Municipal Gardens is at present Rs. 250 per mensem, to which is added an allowance of Rs. 50 from the Road Grant for supervision of roadside trees. This salary is not as a maximum adequate to secure and retain the services of the class of men required, who, as in the case of the present Superindent, should be a highly trained specialist. It is accordingly proposed to fix the maximum salary at Rs. 500 per mensem.

The proposed new appointment of Foreman to the Victoria Gardens is greatly needed to assist the Superintendent in many petty details, and to exercise that constant control over the garden staff so necessary to this kind of labour. The present clerk on Rs. 50 is in fact wrongly so called, as his duties are mainly of an out-door character.

The strength and cost of the gardens establishment, entered in the schedule, as compared with the present establishment, is as follows:—As per schedule the cost per annum is Rs. 22,644, the cost of the present establishment being Rs. 16,332.

The statement was passed as recommended by the Commissioner.

ENGINEER'S ESTABLISHMENT.

The Commissioner stated on the above head among other things as follows:—

For the purpose of securing increased efficiency and better management, it is proposed to sub-divide the Engineer's establishment into 4 separate branches; viz. 1 General, 2 Drainage, 3 Water Works, 4 Streets and Buildings, and in accordance with this re-arrangement, the appointments in the Schedule are proposed. All branches will be subordinate to the so-called Executive Engineer, whose position, duties and responsibilities might be more appropriately indicated by some such title as that of Engineer-in-Chief.

General Branch.—Under this designation is entered the personal staff of the Executive Engineer for exercising supervision and control over all branches, and for disposing of such work as may not fall within any of the other main divisions of Municipal Engineering duties: Drainage Water Works, and Regulation of Streets and Buildings. Here also is included the workshop Staff, which has never hitherto been entered in any published list of establishments, the cost being debited to various Budget heads according to the works executed.

Drainage.—It is proposed to place the pay of the Deputy Executive Engineer at a maximum of Rs. 1,000 per mensem.

Water Works.—It is proposed to place the pay of the Deputy Executive Engineer, Water Works, also to a maximum of Rs. 1,000 per mensem.

The scheduled maximum cost of establishment, compared with present actuals, is as follows:—

	Present Establishment. Strength.	Cost per annum. Rs.	Establishment as per Schedule. Strength.	Cost per annum. Rs.
Budget appointments ...	539	2,10,912		
Paid out of various grants ...	1,398	2,05,622		
Total Strength.	1,987	4,16,535	Total ...2,007	4,59,18

Net Increase per annum Strength 70, Cost Rs. 42,648

HEALTH ESTABLISHMENTS.

The Commissioner said among other things:—Two new appointments of "Assistant Inspectors" on Rs. 100 per month have been made. These are absolutely necessary consequent upon the rapid increase of population and buildings, particularly in E. Ward, necessitating further sanitary supervision. The pay of the lowest grade of Sub-Inspectors has hitherto been Rs. 15, and I find it very difficult to secure good men at such a low rate. They are expected to be able to read and write English, and have a fair amount of education. They have to attend work at very early hours, the work is not of a pleasant nature, and they are liable to be transferred to different parts of the city, which may mean a change of residence and expense. The pay of the lowest grade has therefore been fixed at Rs. 20, and one extra man on Rs. 20 has been added in consequence of increase of work in Byculla Ward. The above remarks also apply to Ward Time-keepers in future to be called "Muster Clerks," and the pay of the lowest grade has been fixed at Rs. 20. Scavenging Muccadums have been graded so as to allow for the promotion of the good and deserving ones amongst them.

The total net increase under all heads of the superior staff is Rs. 191 per month.

There is an increase of 50 cart-drivers for cleaning cesspools in the undrained portions of the city. Either 50 or more carts must be maintained, or the number of cesspools, which these carts can help the cleaning of, must remain uncleaned.

The increase amongst Halalkhores is as follows: this is to provide for work hitherto done by Government, the Port Trust, and private agency, and for increase of service consequent on new buildings:—

	Halalkhores.
A Ward	28
B "	19
D "	15
E "	32
F and G Wards	30
Extra Halalkhores employed for special work during the current year (Mills, Hotels, &c.)	20
Fillers for new cesspool carts	47
Total	191

The cost of the establishment entered in the Schedule, as compared with the present establishment, is as follows:—

	Strength.	Per annum.
Present Establishment	4,720	6,17,744
As per Schedule	5,100	6,72,120
Difference—Net Increase	380	54,370

Dr. Cowasjee said that the amount mentioned in the statement would have to be sanctioned in the interest of public health. He was strongly of opinion that the medical Graduates of the University should be appointed as Assistant Health Officers in charge of the different wards of the city.

The Municipal Commissioner said that he would be very glad when an opportunity occurred to appoint one of these Graduates on trial. As far as his knowledge went, there was not a single town in England, where medical men were appointed as executive officers. As regarded the driving of scavengers and keeping control over them, there was not a single officer who was a medical man. If the Corporation desired to appoint these medical men as officers attached to each ward, they would have to pay for them.

The statement was then passed as recommended by the Commissioner.

MARKETS AND SLAUGHTER-HOUSES.

It was mentioned in the statement under the above head:—

To the office establishment has been added an additional clerk on Rs. 25 to meet the increased work consequent on the increased revenue derived from the Markets.

The work of verifying "Weights and Measures" has been placed under the Superintendent, for which it is proposed to make to him an allowance of Rs. 50 per mensem.

A conveyance allowance of Rs. 30 has been given to the Meat Inspector, whose duties necessitate his visiting the several markets of Bombay.

The other increases are, to the salaries of appointments which, owing to the responsibilities involved, are at present underpaid.

The decrease in the allowance of Rs. 100 per mensem for the Market Audit, is owing to the transfer of this duty to the proposed Revenue and Refund Audit Establishment.

	No. of persons,	Cost per annum.
Proposed Establishment as per Schedule	150	37,584
Present Establishment	149	35,988
Increase	1	1,596

The statement was passed, and the Committee then adjourned till to-day when the budget estimates for 1889-90 will be considered.

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORTS.

(December 8.)

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

Great Britain.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey perfect. Via Suez, perfect.

Continent of Europe.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.

America.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.

Australia.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.

China.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.

_ Section Bangkok-Saigon still interrupted.

THE UNCOVENANTED SERVICE AGITATION.

The following draft petition to the House of Commons has been prepared by the Calcutta Committee of the Uncovenanted Service Association. The draft will be circulated to all other Indian Committees and sent to the Home Committee for final approval before it is circulated for signature:—

Your petitioners are members of those Public Services in India, most of which have been called into existence within the last forty years by the extension and rapid development of western civilization and progress in that country. These services include the Geological and Topographical Survey, the Education, Public Works, Finance, Police, Judicial, Forests, Telegraph, Opium, and other allied Departments which have hitherto generally classified as the "Uncovenanted" Services, in contra-distinction to the Covenanted and Military Services which were constituted before the establishment of the departments to which your petitioners belong.

2. The rules which apply to your petitioners were originally framed when the persons affected by them were largely recruited in India, and were almost entirely Asiatics or other persons permanently domiciled in the country. The service, moreover, for which they were framed, was distinctly recognized as a subordinate and inferior one, recruited from a different class from that from which the present European officers are taken. These original rules, as affecting some of your petitioners, have been modified from time to time to their advantage, but their essential characteristics, which stamp them as suitable for a domiciled community, remain the same, and there are many of your petitioners whom the modifications do not reach, and who are entirely subject to the rules of a domiciled subordinate service. The rules of the Covenanted and Military services, on the other hand, were framed with the view of meeting the circumstances which affect Europeans, who, taking service in the East, regard Europe and not India as their home. The Public Service Commission has given special prominence to the fact that it is impossible to frame a single body of rules which will equitably meet the circumstances both of those who are inhabitants of India and of those who are only temporarily resident in that country. On the above considerations your petitioners submit that a modification of the existing rules has become necessary to meet the circumstances of the large number of non-domiciled Europeans who belong to these services.

3. Your petitioners are these European members of the services aforesaid; the majority of them having, like the members of the Covenanted and Military Services, been specially recruited in Europe for service in the East. Owing mainly to the facts which have been stated, your petitioners find themselves subjected to the action of rules which develop many and serious causes of discontent.

4. The inequitable action of these rules has been grievously emphasized of late years by the depreciation of silver, which has reduced the furlough and pension allowances of your petitioners by about 30 per cent.; the European members of the other services are entirely protected from this loss as regards their pensions, and largely protected as regards their furlough allowances by the fact that the rules applicable to them were originally framed to meet the circumstances of their European domicile. On the other hand, those members of the Public Services who are domiciled in India are also protected from the heavy losses which are imposed on your petitioners by the fact that, in India itself, the depreciation in the value of silver has not materially affected its purchasing power with reference to the articles which they consume. Your petitioners therefore stand alone among all the public servants of the Indian Empire in that, as regards their furlough allowances, and most particularly as regards their pension allowances, they are subjected to a heavy loss from which the rest are almost entirely protected.

5. Some hope has been held out to your petitioners that one result which might follow from the report of the Public Service Commission, the spirit of which accords with the prayer of your petitioners, would be that the disabilities under which they labour would be dealt with. But the despatch of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India on the subject, which has been recently published, affords your petitioners no ground for confidence in this respect.

6. Your petitioners have failed to obtain redress from the authorities who immediately control these matters. They have also appealed to your Honourable House; and, although that appeal has not been immediately successful, your petitioners have confidence that the justice of their petition will ultimately prevail.

Your petitioners therefore pray that your Honourable House will appoint a Select Committee to enquire:—

As to the effects produced on the furlough and pension allowances of the European officers of the Services formerly classed as "Uncovenanted," in consequence of the depreciation of silver, when compared with the effects which result from the same cause, *first*, to officers of the same Services who are permanently domiciled in India; and, *secondly*, to officers of the Military and Covenanted Services; and also, into such other points connected with the general rules and conditions of service as your Honourable House may think proper to direct.

THE LATE MR. JEFFERSON DAVIS.

Mr. Jefferson Davis, whose death is announced to-day, was born in Christian County, Kentucky, June 3, 1808. During his childhood his father removed into the state of Mississippi. He graduated from the West Point Military Academy in 1828, and served with distinction against the Indians until 1835, when he resigned his commission, returned to Mississippi, and married the daughter of Gen. Taylor, afterwards President of the United States. He became a cotton planter until 1843, when he interested himself in politics as a Democrat, and took a prominent part in the election of Mr. Polk. He was returned to Congress in 1845, and took part in the debates on the "tariff," the "Oregon question," "military affairs," and upon the "preparations for the Mexican War." Upon the breaking out of this contest, he was elected colonel of the Mississippi regiment of volunteers, when he resigned his seat in Congress, and joined the army of Gen. Taylor on the Rio Grande. He was engaged at the storming of Monterey, and in the battle of Buena Vista. At the close of the war he was offered by President Polk the rank of brigadier-general of volunteers, but declined it. In 1847 he was elected Senator for Mississippi; in 1850 he became chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs, and was distinguished by the energy with which he defended slavery, and by his zealous advocacy of State rights. In 1851 he resigned his seat in the Senate to enter upon a canvas for Mr. Franklin Pierce, who, on being elected President, appointed Mr. Davis as Secretary at War. He was again elected as Senator in 1858; but the election of Mr. Lincoln in 1860, and the consequent secession movement, caused him to withdraw. When the movement received shape and form, he was chosen Provisional President of the Confederate States, Feb. 4, 1861, inaugurated Feb. 22, and elected as President for six years in 1862. After the fall of Richmond, President Davis, while endeavouring to make his escape, was captured at Irwinsville, Georgia, May 10, 1865, and remained a prisoner for two years in Fortress Monroe, awaiting a trial. He was released on bail in the summer of 1867, and all proceedings against him were discontinued. After his release he visited Europe, and on his return took up his residence at Memphis, Tennessee, where he was for a time President of a Life Insurance Company.

HIGH COURT.—December 9.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Parsons.)

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Undefended New Long Cause.

610-89—Janardhen G—Thucker Luckmidas Purshotum vs Thucker Lallji Dhunji.

Postponed Long Causes.

342-89—Jefferson, B D and K—Gulam Hussein Meya Jan vs Jan Mahomed Khalakdina—Little, S, F and N. Part heard.

34-89—Little, S, F and N—Jan Mahomed Khalakdina and another vs Rahimtulla Khalakdina and another—Jefferson, B D and K.

271-89—Little, S F and N—Charles Agnew Turner vs Gulam Hussein alias Gulam Saheb—Jefferson, B D and K.

315-89—Bomonjee and H—Jakeria Ahmed vs Hajee Ahmed Hajee Abdulla—Jefferson B D, & K.

10-89—Macfarlane, E and H—Ghellaboy Aspall vs Nurso Gungaram and others—Burder and B.

339-89—Macfarlane, E and H—Abdoolla Jewa vs Aga Mahomed Jaffir Isphaney—Craigie, L and O.

97-89—Crawford & B—Kesserbai vs Charles Agnew Turner and another—Roughton and B.

210-89—Jefferson, B, D and K—Cursondas Ladha and another vs Ruttonsey Nursey—Hore, C and B.

307-89—A F Turner—Bomonjee Carsetjee Bhandupwalla vs Dadabhoy Carsetjee Bhandupwalla, in person.

379-89—Payne, G and S—Robert Preston Nixon and others vs Joharmal Buldeo and another—Burder and B.

BOMBAY UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS.

The results of the Previous Examination were declared on Saturday last, which showed that out of 684 candidates, 282 have passed, namely, 5 in the first class, 67 in the second class, and 210 in the pass class. The Hughling's prize has been awarded to J. Philip De Quadros; the Gibbs' prize to Balkrishna Mahadeo Kale; and the Venayek Jugonnath prize to Mungesh Jivajee Telang. The following are the names of the successful candidates:—

First Class.—Cama, Ardesar Kaikhosru; Datar, Anant Narayan; Galande, Ramchandra Mahadev; Jadhav, Bhaskar Vithoba; Pendse, Narayan Balvant.

Second Class.—Adhav, Tatia Bahiroba; Arabatti, Ramchandra Balacharya; Bakre, Sakharam Vinayak; Bhandarkar, Mahadev Raoji; Bhat, Ravishankar Manishankar; Bhat, Trimbaklal Chhaganlal; Bhave, Dattatraya Trimbak; Boyce, Nasarvanji Nanabhai; Bukhari, Imdadhusen Bandeali; Chakrdev, Balkrishna Vishnu; Chandavarkar, Padmanabh Shankar; Colaco, Aluisio Leonard; Commissariatvala, Nadirshah Navroji; Damle, Moro Keshav; Dave, Anandrai Himatram; De Quadros, J. Philip; Desai, Balvantrai Khandubhai; Desai, Kuvarji Khandubhai; Desai, Lallubhai Prannbhai; Dhekne, Ganesh Lakshman; Dikshit, Gopal Sitaram; Doctor, Pestanji Barjorji; Dravid, Shrinivas Trimbak; Dubash, Rastamji Edalji; Garde, Kashinath Khanderao; Godrej, Manchershah Barjorji; Hansoti, Chunilal Jivanlal; Jambusarvala, Antoldas Hargovandas; Jog, Gopal Daji; Joshi, Vaman Vishnu; Juvekar, Dattatraya Govind; Kale, Balkrishna Mahadev; Kathavate, Shridhar Vishnu; Katrak, Shavakshah Merwanji; Keshkamat, Anant Babaji; Khambatta, Feroze Hirji; Kulkarni, Vaman Ramchandra; Lakhumalani, Divansing Chertsing; Limaye, Krishnaji Pandurang; Madan, Bejanji Fardunji; Mehta, Shavakshah Sorabji; Motivala, Jehangir Bhikaji; Nanal, Bhaskar Ramchandra; Pandit, Vishnu Balvant; Parkhe, Sadashiv Vishvanath; Patgamkar, Vaman Baburao; Pathak, Kaikhosru Sorabji; Pavri, Sorabji Palanji; Phatak, Balkrish Damodar; Pochkhanavala, Manekji Nasarvanji; Rajmachikar, Narhar Trimbak; Sahasrabudhe, Savalaram Shridhar; Samant, Lakshman Vithal; Sapre, Vithal Sadashiv; Sealy, Hugh; Orr F.; Shah, Narottam Khemchand; Sinde, Narayen Bachaji; Soda, Tikamdas Tulsidas; Sykes, Harold John; Telang, Mangesh Jivaji; Tyabji, Ali Najmudin; Unvala, Edalji Jamshedji; Vachhrajani, Chhaganlal Mugutram; Vaidya, Dattatraya Narayan; Vaidya, Gajanan Bhasker; Vaishnav, Venishankar Harishankar; Vakil, Manilal Harilal.

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MILITARY NEWS.

Surgeon Cadell, 11th Bengal Infantry, takes over medical charge of the Bengal Sappers and Miners at Fort William.

The story of the mutiny in the 4th Madras Pioneers has been brought to a close, with the Commander-in-Chief's confirmation of the sentences passed by the court-martial.

The following postings are made:—To 1st Battalions: Lieutenants Grylls and Flanaghan, Connaught Rangers; Captain Shaw, Derbyshire Regiment; Second Lieutenant Cowell, Rifle Brigade; and Lieutenants Weldon, Dublin Fusiliers, and Thomas, Worcestershire Regiment.

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MUSIC HALL SALARIES.

A CORRESPONDENT writing to the *Pall Mall Gazette* says :—

An impecunious friend of mine, late of Cambridge, made this private confession recently : " It is not the vulgarity or the viciousness of the music-halls that I complain of, but the princely salaries paid to the 'artistes.' These salaries, sir, annoy me."

Knowing something of music-halls beyond what is confided to a trusting public by the interviewers, I might have told my friend that music hall salaries, considered as a whole, are very far from princely, even the "celebrities" being paid, let us say, about a sixth part of the sum they drop into the ear of the surprised reporter. Mr. Wilson Barrett said some years ago that the actors who were reported to "make money at the rate of £5,000 a year" would frequently be found, on inquiry, only to have done so for a period of ten minutes ; and the remark is still more true of "artistes," who boast of their salaries rather than of their " notices." I see that a lady of the music-halls declared her income the other day (to an interviewer) at £5,000. That means about £100 a week. I know nothing of this lady's salaries ; but I do know that the best-known of her professional sisters—she is an undoubted "star" herself—have few weeks in the year in which they make £50, and probably seldom clear £1,000 annually. If the public would compare the sums rumoured to be paid to music-hall lions and lionesses with the sums they admit they are paid when sued for debt, it would be seen that £35 a week is much nearer the ma[illegible] than £100. Even in pantomime time, when the greatest harvest is reaped, £50 is a very uncommon height to which to rise ; and Mr. Harris himself would draw the line at £75. Cinquevalli, the juggler, got £85, I believe, at the Pavilion, when his appearances were confined to that house and he was a startling novelty.

Music-halls could not afford to pay the enormous salaries that are talked of, as a little reflection will show any one. A " star " can sometimes fill a theatre ; but that is chiefly because he pervades the whole entertainment, being so much on the stage that we can overlook his " support." But it is different in the music-halls, where each performer has his " turn " of a few minutes, and is then done with for the evening. Some fifteen separate turns are required for an evening's programme ; and the public will not pay its money to be amused for ten minutes and bored for the remainder of three hours. There will be a demonstration if any one turn is conspicuously poor ; and thus music-hall managers have found that not one star but many are needed to make a venture pay. This, of course, reduces salaries all round ; and it should be noted, too, that three or half a dozen performers may take part in one turn, when the salary of each is far from excessive. The admission to music-halls being so much less than to theatres makes " fancy " salaries less possible ; and rents, etc., are as high in the one case as the other. On the other hand, the music-hall is more cheaply conducted, Except at halls where ballets are presented, the performers all provide their own dresses—as, indeed, the majority of prominent actors do also nowadays—and music-hall scenery is not a heavy item. Lastly, there is the " artiste's " right to appear at several halls in an evening ; many appearing at three, and some even at four. Were it not for this, few music-hall performers would make ten pounds a week. The practice, however, only holds good in London ; there being very few cases indeed in which it is followed in the provinces, and then only when the same management happens to have two halls within easy distance of each other. Few " artistes," again, can find employment in London the whole year round ; the majority spending great part of the year " on the road "—where the " star," being more easily able to fill a house, is better paid than he would usually be at any one London hall—and being fortunate if during the time they are in London they have steady employment.

Their costumes are by no means the music-hall performers' only heavy expense which should be deducted from their salaries before one has a notion of what they really "make." Rushing from one music-hall to another means several expensive cab fares—or their equivalent in a private trap—every evening, or something more than a pound a week. Then, while the actor's part in the play costs him nothing, the "artiste" has to buy his own songs or dances or " business" generally. Even the songs he sings in pantomime have to be paid for by himself. There is an idea that successful music-hall songs bring in the composer a great deal of money. As a matter of fact, the amount seldom indeed reaches £50. Both in London and the provinces there are men whose profession is that of composing songs for music-halls and pantomimes, and about this time of year these composers are specially busy issuing their circulars. The "artiste" can easily buy the entire rights for a few pounds —often for a few shillings ; but a common plan of the composers is to sell the rights for different towns to persons who are to appear there in pantomime. Ten shillings or a pound is then an average price. The composer is versatile, and his printed circular gives the names of hundreds of songs by him—comic, sentimental, topical or "dramatic"—the last mentioned, in which the singer acts the words as well as sings them, being at present in great demand. Just as some " artistes" are their own composers, some invent their own dances; but the rank-and-file are taught special dances in the theatrical dancing schools, half a crown a lesson not being the lowest charge, nor half a guinea the highest. A great deal is spent by the popular music-hall performer on advertising, as he has to take the entire cost of all " ads " beyond the brief announcement of his appearance. Much money is squandered in this way out of personal vanity ; but of all " public persons, " music-hall " artistes " have to advertise the most. In the provinces the placards they bring with them, or rather send on before them, are at least as important as their own talent, and managers consider " splendid printing in fine colours " an admirable testimonial. The agent gets a large percentage of their salaries, too ; for many artistes owe, if not their popularity, at least their chance of earning it to the [illegible]gent who took them in hand when they were un[illegible]nown. In London actors work little with agents, [illegible]eir merits being well known to the managers [illegible]o deal with them at first hand ; but for provincial [illegible]tors it is necessary to employ the middleman. He [illegible]s them engagements, and they pay a varying per[illegible]ntage. He makes more out of the " artiste," [illegible]wever, than out of the actor : for the latter is [illegible]ually employed by one manager for months at a [illegible]me ; while in the provinces the " artiste " changes [illegible]is manager weekly, and even in London jumps from one hall to another. Thus he is never out of the agent's hands, who may settle for him for years in advance.

Within the last year or two a considerable number of actors and actresses, despairing of finding more than a precarious living on the stage, have joined the music hall calling, in which they often make their fifteen pounds a week. But the music-halls are as overstocked nowadays as the theatres, and, beyond some fifty favourites, few music-hall performers make an easy livelihood. " Benefits " in music-halls are mostly confined to managers, charity benefits being much less common than on the stage ; but that does not mean that there is not immense poverty in the profession. In private the hat is always going round. In the streets where music-hall performers live a seedy gentleman may frequently be observed carrying a sheet of paper in his hand. He instructs the servant who answers his knock at various doors to take the paper up to the " drawing-room floor," or if the drawing-room floor is out he will call again. It is a subscription-list that is being handed about, and the seedy man is some " great and only " who is in terrible distress. Such appeals, it may be added, are seldom made in vain.

Seeing that the music-halls supply a phase of London life that is by no means without interest, it is remarkable that the novelists should leave them so severely alone. Now and again a third-rate writer, evidently unacquainted with his subject, points a moral by painting the " artistes " in the blackest colours ; but novelists of humour and sympathy go elsewhere for their character. The only exception I know of is Mr. F. W. Robinson, who writes in one of his stories about music-hall performers, and draws them as they are.

THE Paris Exhibition did not pay its way, after all. From the final statement of receipts and expenditure it appers that the latter exceeded the former by 17 millions francs. The deficit was met by a subsidy of 18 millions from the State and seven millions from the city, but these subventions cannot be regarded as legitimate revenue. The experience of Paris, therefore, may be accepted as decisive on the point whether International Exhibitions can be made to pay their way. The answer is that they cannot.

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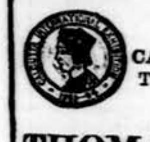

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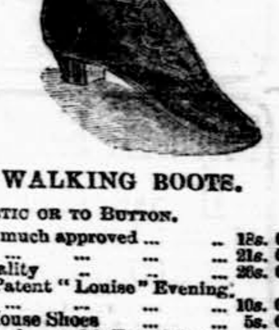

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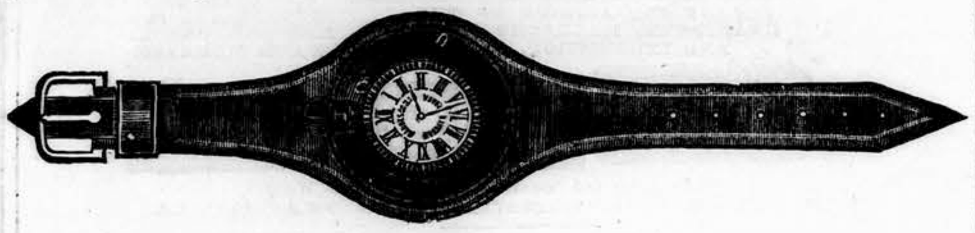

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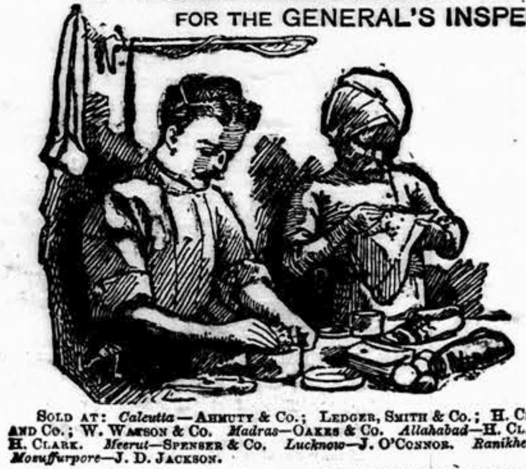

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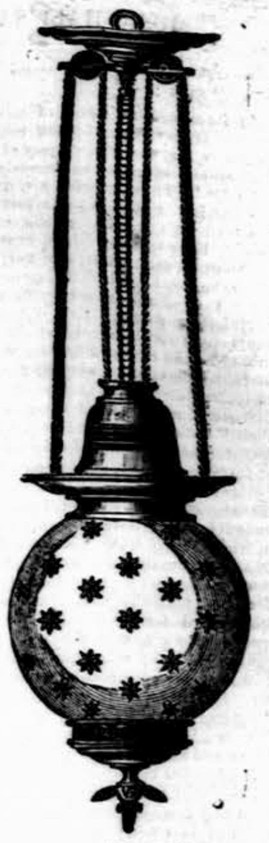
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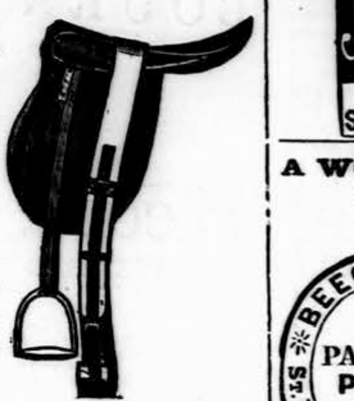

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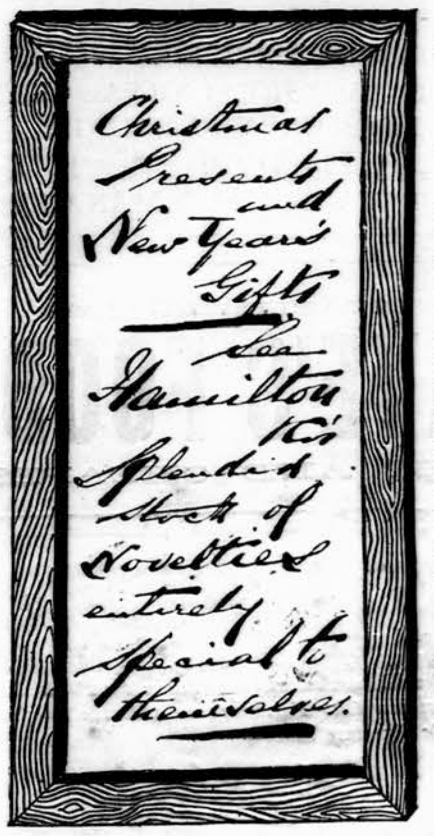

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